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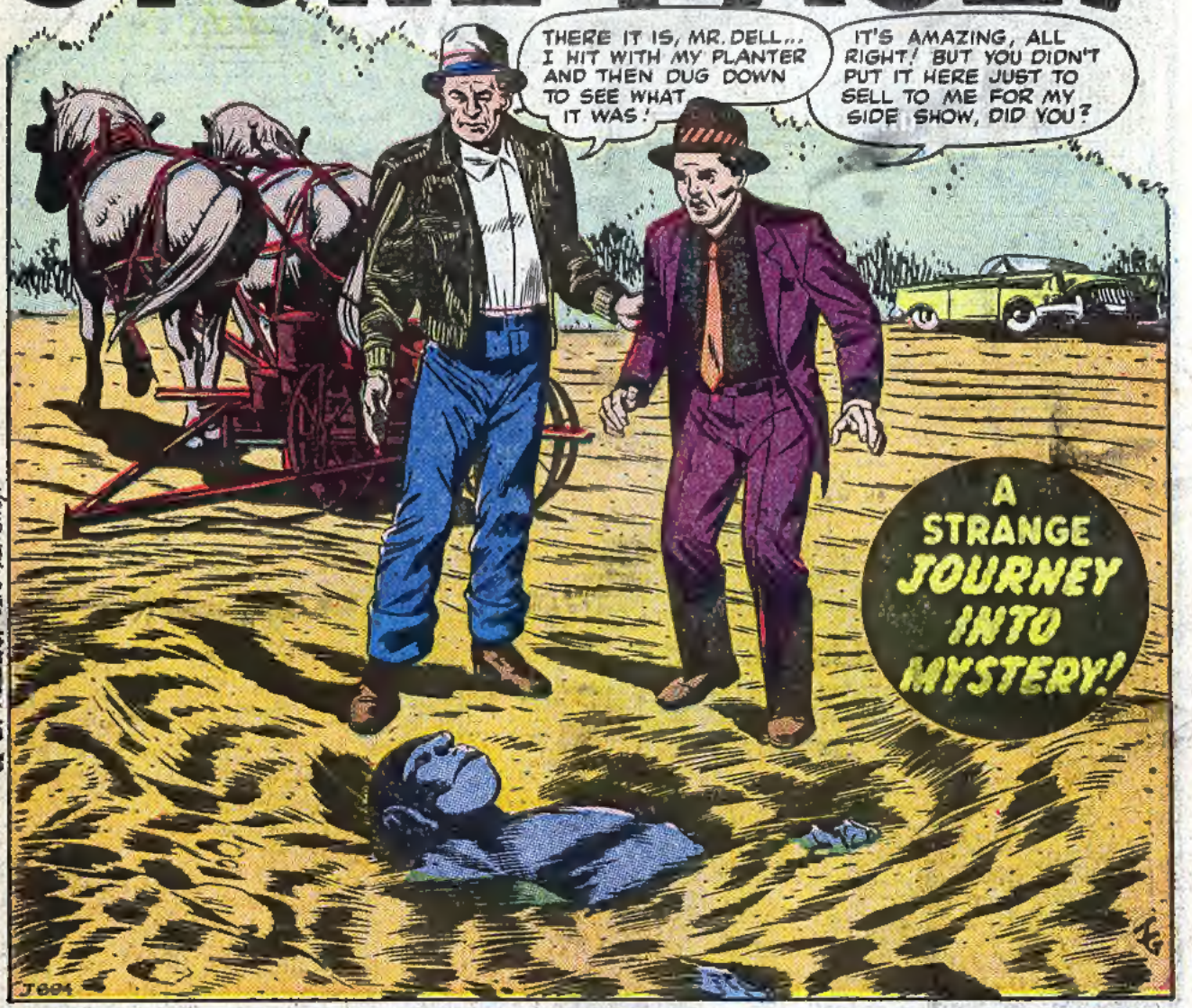
STONE FACE!


THERE IT IS, MR. DELL... I HIT WITH MY PLANTER AND THEN DUG DOWN TO SEE WHAT IT WAS!
IT'S AMAZING, ALL RIGHT! BUT YOU DIDN'T PUT IT HERE JUST TO SELL TO ME FOR MY SIDE SHOW, DID YOU?
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YOU MEAN LIKE THE FAKE CARDIFF GIANT? OH NO! MY SON LOOKED AT IT AND HE SAID IT'S A PETRIFIED MAN OF PREHISTORIC TIMES!
WELL, I THINK IT'S JUST AN OLD STATUE, THAT'S ALL! I'LL GIVE YOU FIFTY DOLLARS FOR IT!

AND THAT'S HOW RICHARD DELL BOUGHT A STONE STATUE AND PUT IT INTO HIS SIDE SHOW!

STEP RIGHT UP, FOLKS! SEE THE WONDER OF THE CENTURY! SEE STONE FACE, ANCIENT MAN TURNED TO STONE MANY CENTURIES AGO!
SEE STONE FACE The PETRIFIED MAN of PREHISTORIC TIME
THAT'S A FAKE, MISTER!

BUT NO ONE CAME TO SEE THE STONE MAN... NO ONE BELIEVED IT WASN'T A FAKE! AND THEN, DELL WAS VISITED BY THE LOCAL SHERIFF!
THAT THING'S A FAKE, MISTER! YOU GET OUT OF TOWN AND STOP TRYING TO HORN-SWOGGLE OUR PEOPLE!
IT'S NOT A FAKE, SHERIFF!
HA! HA! DON'T TELL ME YOU REALLY BELIEVE THAT!
HAW! THAT'S RICH!
BUT I DO BELIEVE STONE FACE IS REAL!
TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT... WHY... H-HE'S MOVING!
TH-THE SHERIFF! HE-HE'S TURNED TO STONE!
AND SO HAVE THE OTHERS ... ALL BUT YOU, MY FRIEND!
YOU BELIEVED IN ME! SO YOU HAVE FREED ME! I AM A DEALER IN BLACK MAGIC FROM A DISTANT PLANET TURNED TO STONE CENTURIES AGO BY MY RULER AND BANISHED TO EARTH BECAUSE I DID ONLY HARM! I WAS TO COME TO LIFE AGAIN WHEN SOMEONE SPOKE THE WORDS THAT FREED ME... AND YOU SPOKE THEM WHEN YOU SAID YOU BELIEVED IN ME!
NOW I'LL CONTINUE MY WORK! ALL THOSE THAT I LOOK UPON WILL TURN INTO STONE! ALL EXCEPT YOU... BECAUSE YOU BELIEVED I WAS REAL!
NO! WAIT!
WHAT HAVE I DONE?

DELL'S EAGERNESS TO MAKE MONEY FROM THE MAN OF STONE HAD BROUGHT HAVOC! HE RUSHED AFTER THE BEING...

BUT IT WAS NO USE! NOTHING COULD STOP THE CREATURE AS IT LEFT A WAKE OF PETRIFIED PEOPLE BEHIND IT...

ON WENT THE STRANGE PROCESS, AS THE CREATURE OF BLACK MAGIC SPREAD HIS BRAND OF DESTRUCTION...

THEN I MUST DESTROY YOU! I CANNOT TURN YOU INTO STONE... BUT I CAN GET YOU WITH MY HANDS!
IF THIS IS A NIGHT-MARE, PLEASE LET ME WAKE UP!
HOT DOGS

BUT IT WAS NO NIGHTMARE! IT WAS REAL! AND DELL, SEEKING ESCAPE, WENT BACK TOWARDS HIS TENT LIKE A HOMING PIGEON!

AND NONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO WERE RESTORED TO THEIR NORMAL SELVES, REALIZED WHAT HAD BEEN DONE TO THEM IN THE INTERVAL! DELL KEPT HIS SECRET, LEAVING IT BURIED WITH STONE FACE!

THE END

Get Rid of UGLY PIMPLES this new easy way!

Amazing new medicated lotion developed by a doctor works wonders by clearing up complexion in one week or less!

DON'T let a bad complexion ruin romance, spoil your fun, cause you to be embarrassed, shy or ashamed. If you suffer from acne, the common external cause of pimples among young people, try this wonderfully effective medicated lotion that was developed by a practicing physician to clear up his own teen ager's complexion after other methods had failed. It has produced astonishing results for many thousands of others. It is GUARANTEED to help you or it won't cost you a single cent!

Doesn't Show On Your Face

Keraplex is a skin-colored lotion (NOT a greasy salve or ointment!) that is quickly absorbed by the skin and gets right down in the pores where its healing and antiseptic ingredients can go to work. After you have applied it, there is no trace left on the surface. In fact, it makes a perfect powder base for girls and a refreshing after shaving lotion for men . . . actually improves the tone of the skin! It is pleasant and easy to use — leaving your skin soft, clean and fragrant.

Boys and girls—if you have pimples on your shoulders or back, you can avoid embarrassment when they are exposed to view. For Keraplex keeps your shoulders, arms, back and chest wonderfully free from pimples—without soiling clothes, without messiness or greasiness!

Works In SIX Out of SEVEN Cases!

An analysis of RESULTS taken from actual case histories proves that Keraplex is successful in clearing up six of every seven cases of externally caused blackheads and pimples. It tones up the complexion generally, giving it a healthy, radiant glow.

Try This New Method Without Risking A Penny!

Keraplex is GUARANTEED to clear up your skin troubles or there will be NO COST to you whatsoever. If yours happens to be the ONE extra-stubborn case out of seven which Keraplex cannot help in one short week, it will cost you nothing to have tried it. Keraplex is sent to you with that simple, positive GUARANTEE!

SEND NO MONEY

You need send no money with the coupon below. When postman delivers your Keraplex lotion (in plain wrapper marked "Personal"), deposit with him only the modest price indicated below, plus a few cents postage. Then use your Keraplex morning and night for a full week, following the simple directions which will be enclosed.

If you do not SEE RESULTS that delight you — if you are not fully convinced that Keraplex IS clearing up your complexion — just return the empty bottle or unused portion and the purchase price will be refunded in full. Don't delay a single day. The longer you let your skin troubles go, the more difficult it will be to clear them up and get your complexion back to a healthy, clear, unblemished condition! Clip and mail the coupon TODAY. Underwood Laboratories, Inc., Stratford, Conn.

BEFORE

Note more than a dozen blemishes on just one side of this girl's face before KERAPLEX was applied.

AFTER

Same girl had used KERAPLEX twice a day for only 5 days when above photo was taken. Note the amazing improvement.

BEFORE

This young man suffered from a severe case of acne for years and tried all the usual "remedies" without success.

AFTER

Same young men after using KERAPLEX twice a day for just one week. Notice the decided improvement—pimples completely gone!

WHAT USERS SAY:

"I was suffering from a severe case of acne . . . and with only 4 days' treatment with Keraplex . . . was completely relieved."—P. S.

"I have been completely satisfied with your lotion to help clear up the pimples on my face."—K. W.

"I have used Keraplex and for the first time in my life my pimples are clearing up in good shape. I can't thank you enough!"—E. S.

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Yes! I want to try Keraplex ON APPROVAL. Send size checked below in plain wrapper marked "personal." When it is delivered I will deposit with postman amount indicated below, plus postage. If not delighted with the RESULTS, I will return empty bottle within seven days for a full refund of the purchase price.

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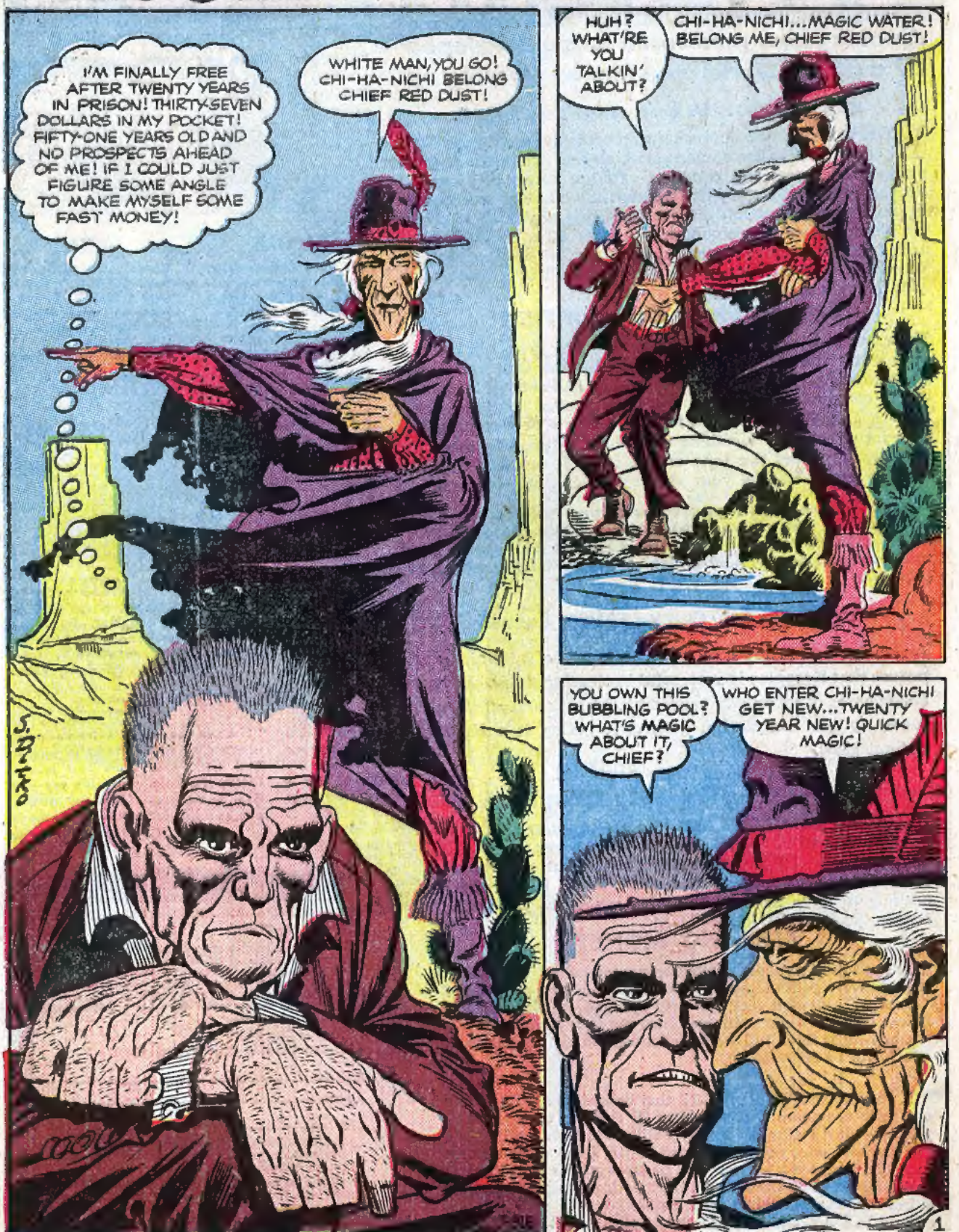
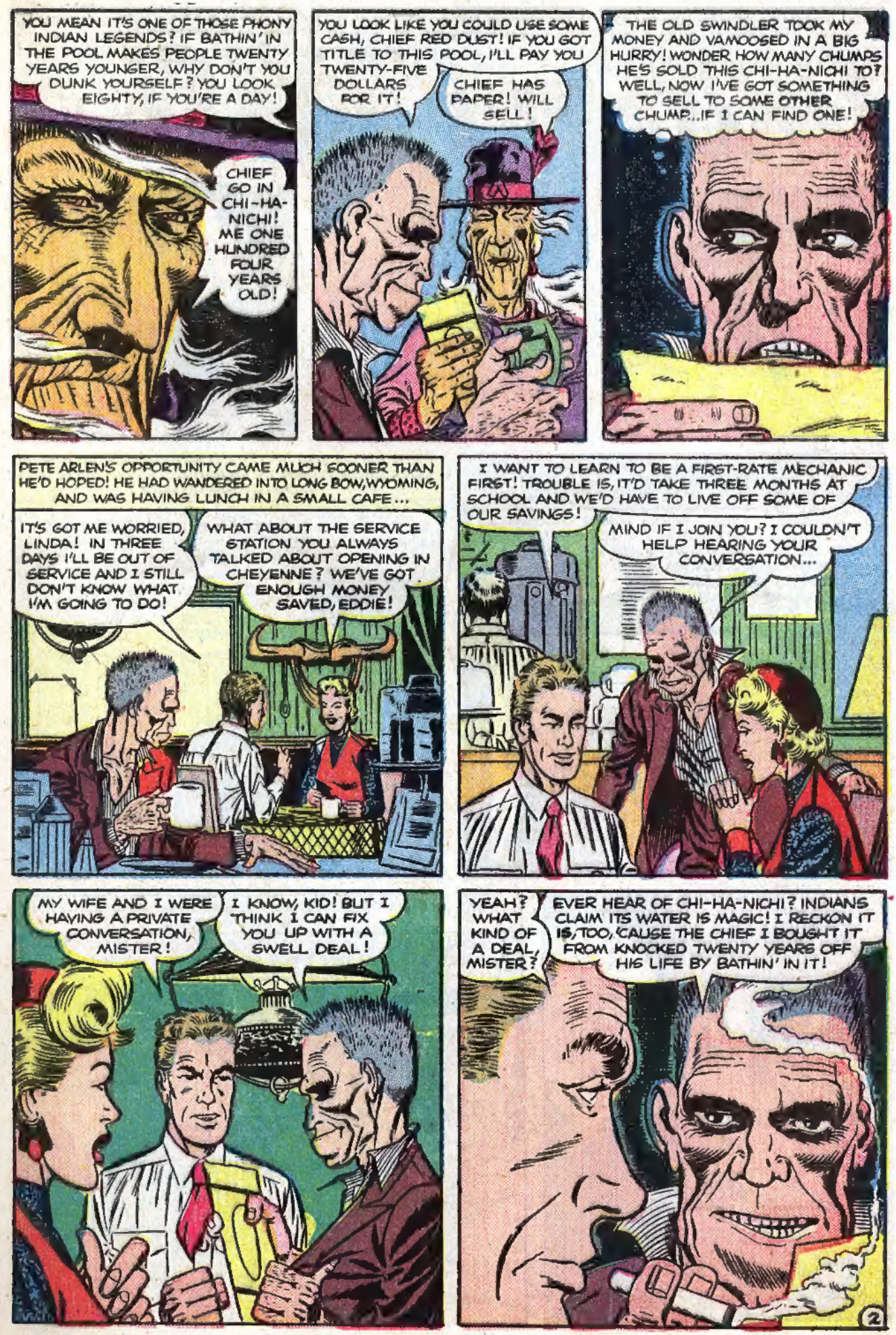
INDIAN LEGEND TOLD OF THE MAGICAL POWER OF CHI-HA-NICHI! AND WHEN AN EVIL MAN BOUGHT THAT STRANGE POOL OF SPARKLING WATER, THE RETURN ON HIS INVESTMENT WAS MORE THAN HE BARGAINED FOR...

THOSE WHO VANISH!


I'M FINALLY FREE AFTER TWENTY YEARS IN PRISON! THIRTY-SEVEN DOLLARS IN MY POCKET! FIFTY-ONE YEARS OLD AND NO PROSPECTS AHEAD OF ME! IF I COULD JUST FIGURE SOME ANGLE TO MAKE MYSELF SOME FAST MONEY!
WHITE MAN, YOU GO! CHI-HA-NICHI BELONG CHIEF RED DUST!
HUH? WHAT'RE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT?
CHI-HA-NICHI...MAGIC WATER! BELONG ME, CHIEF RED DUST!
YOU OWN THIS BUBBLING POOL? WHAT'S MAGIC ABOUT IT, CHIEF?
WHO ENTER CHI-HA-NICHI GET NEW...TWENTY YEAR NEW! QUICK MAGIC!


YOU MEAN IT'S ONE OF THOSE PHONY INDIAN LEGENDS? IF BATHIN' IN THE POOL MAKES PEOPLE TWENTY YEARS YOUNGER, WHY DON'T YOU DUNK YOURSELF? YOU LOOK EIGHTY, IF YOU'RE A DAY!
CHIEF GO IN CHI-HA-NICHI! ME ONE HUNDRED FOUR YEARS OLD!
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU COULD USE SOME CASH, CHIEF RED DUST! IF YOU GOT TITLE TO THIS POOL, I'LL PAY YOU TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS FOR IT!
CHIEF HAS PAPER! WILL SELL!
THE OLD SWINDLER TOOK MY MONEY AND VAMOOSED IN A BIG HURRY! WONDER HOW MANY CHUMPS HE'S SOLD THIS CHI-HA-NICHI TO? WELL, NOW I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO SELL TO SOME OTHER CHUMP...IF I CAN FIND ONE!
PETE ARLEN'S OPPORTUNITY CAME MUCH SOONER THAN HE'D HOPED! HE HAD WANDERED INTO LONG BOW, WYOMING, AND WAS HAVING LUNCH IN A SMALL CAFE...
IT'S GOT ME WORRIED, LINDA! IN THREE DAYS I'LL BE OUT OF SERVICE AND I STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO DO!
WHAT ABOUT THE SERVICE STATION YOU ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT OPENING IN CHEYENNE? WE'VE GOT ENOUGH MONEY SAVED, EDDIE!
I WANT TO LEARN TO BE A FIRST-RATE MECHANIC FIRST! TROUBLE IS, IT'D TAKE THREE MONTHS AT SCHOOL AND WE'D HAVE TO LIVE OFF SOME OF OUR SAVINGS!
MIND IF I JOIN YOU? I COULDN'T HELP HEARING YOUR CONVERSATION...
MY WIFE AND I WERE HAVING A PRIVATE CONVERSATION, MISTER!
I KNOW, KID! BUT I THINK I CAN FIX YOU UP WITH A SWELL DEAL!
YEAH? WHAT KIND OF A DEAL, MISTER?
EVER HEAR OF CHI-HA-NICHI? INDIANS CLAIM ITS WATER IS MAGIC! I RECKON IT IS, TOO, 'CAUSE THE CHIEF I BOUGHT IT FROM KNOCKED TWENTY YEARS OFF HIS LIFE BY BATHIN' IN IT!
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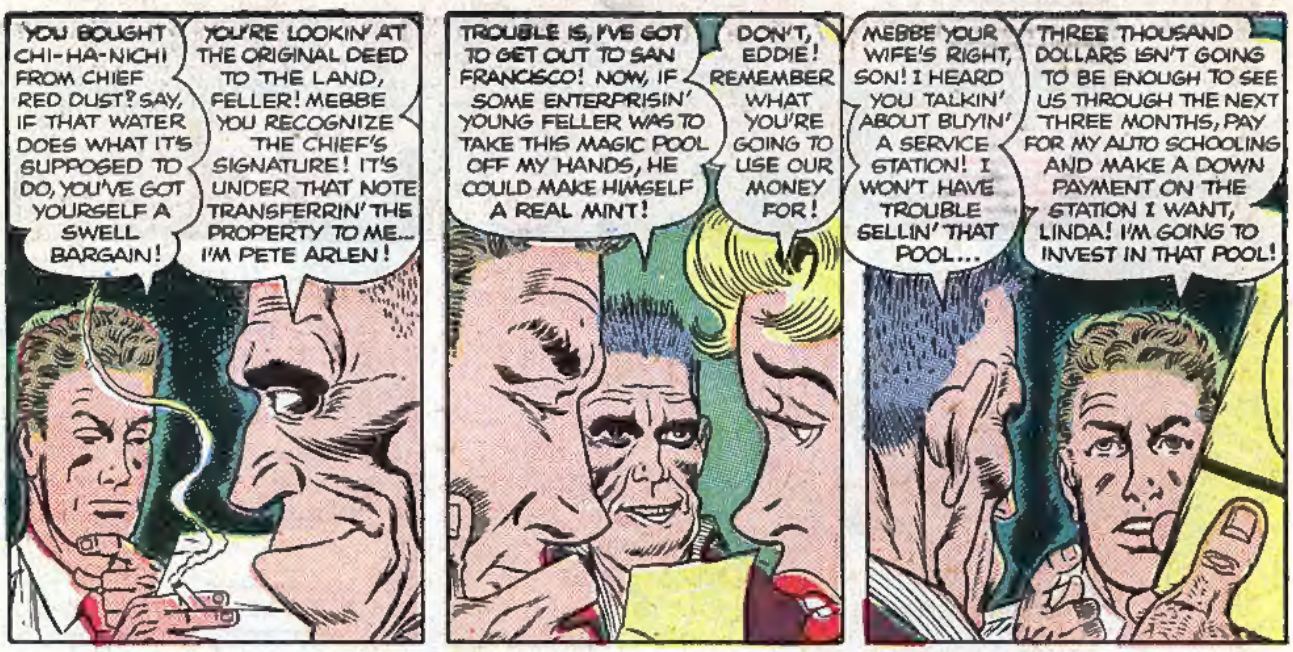
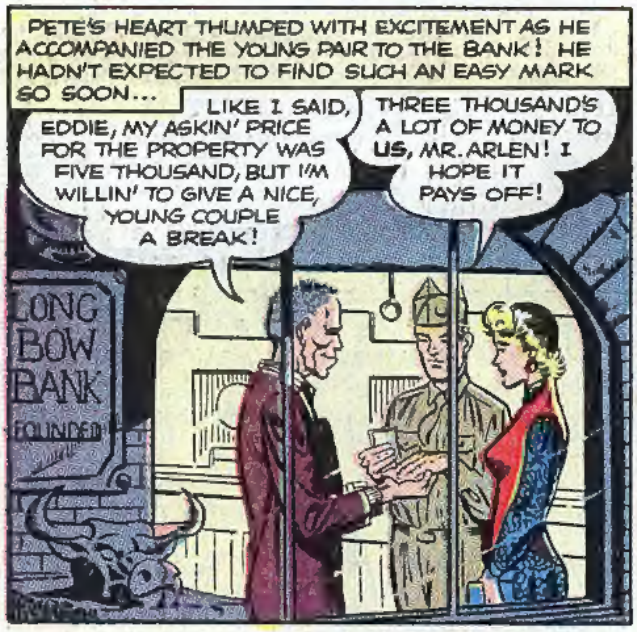
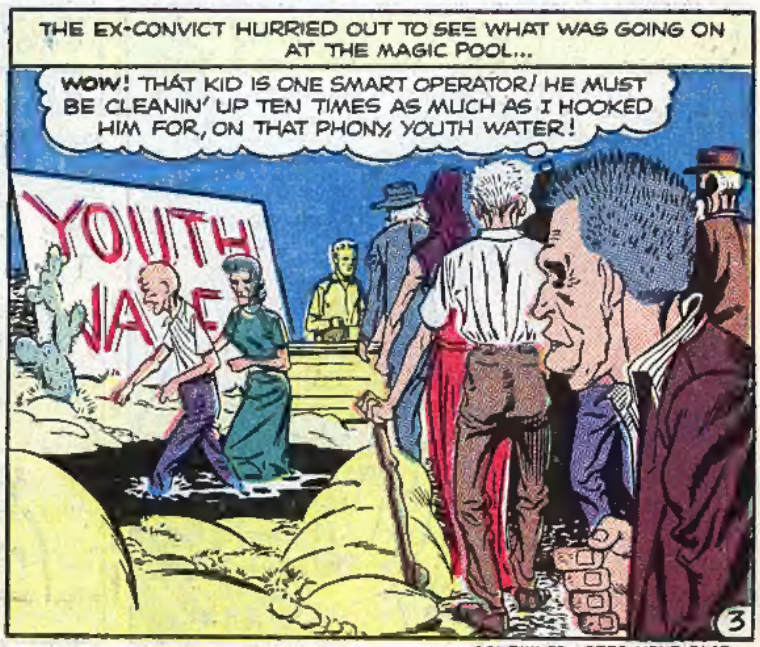

YOU BOUGHT CHI-HA-NICHI FROM CHIEF RED DUST? SAY, IF THAT WATER DOES WHAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO DO, YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A SWELL BARGAIN!
YOU'RE LOOKIN' AT THE ORIGINAL DEED TO THE LAND, FELLER! MEBBE YOU RECOGNIZE THE CHIEF'S SIGNATURE! IT'S UNDER THAT NOTE TRANSFERRIN' THE PROPERTY TO ME... I'M PETE ARLEN!
TROUBLE IS, I'VE GOT TO GET OUT TO SAN FRANCISCO! NOW, IF SOME ENTERPRISIN' YOUNG FELLER WAS TO TAKE THIS MAGIC POOL OFF MY HANDS, HE COULD MAKE HIMSELF A REAL MINT!
DON'T, EDDIE! REMEMBER WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO USE OUR MONEY FOR!
MEBBE YOUR WIFE'S RIGHT, SON! I HEARD YOU TALKIN' ABOUT BUYIN' A SERVICE STATION! I WON'T HAVE TROUBLE SELLIN' THAT POOL...
THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS ISN'T GOING TO BE ENOUGH TO SEE US THROUGH THE NEXT THREE MONTHS, PAY FOR MY AUTO SCHOOLING AND MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT ON THE STATION I WANT, LINDA! I'M GOING TO INVEST IN THAT POOL!


PETE'S HEART THUMPED WITH EXCITEMENT AS HE ACCOMPANIED THE YOUNG PAIR TO THE BANK! HE HADN'T EXPECTED TO FIND SUCH AN EASY MARK SO SOON...
LIKE I SAID, EDDIE, MY ASKIN' PRICE FOR THE PROPERTY WAS FIVE THOUSAND, BUT I'M WILLIN' TO GIVE A NICE, YOUNG COUPLE A BREAK!
THREE THOUSAND'S A LOT OF MONEY TO US, MR. ARLEN! I HOPE IT PAYS OFF!
LONG BOW BANK
FOUNDED

PETE ARLEN WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE LONG BOW A FEW DAYS LATER, WHEN HE HEARD A CONVERSATION THAT BROUGHT HIM UP SHORT...
I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT! ALL THE OLD FOLKS IN TOWN HAVE BEEN RIDING OUT TO THAT MAGIC POOL FOR THE LAST FEW DAYS! YOU SUPPOSE THERE'S ANYTHING TO IT, MR. HOLLOWAY?
MUST BE SOMETHIN', FOR THOSE PEOPLE TO PAY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH TO BE MADE TWENTY YEARS YOUNGER!
SCHEDULE


THE EX-CONVICT HURRIED OUT TO SEE WHAT WAS GOING ON AT THE MAGIC POOL...
WOW! THAT KID IS ONE SMART OPERATOR! HE MUST BE CLEANIN' UP TEN TIMES AS MUCH AS I HOOKED HIM FOR, ON THAT PHONY YOUTH WATER!
YOUTH
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New Invention Shows You How You May SAVE YOUR HAIR

FICTION AND FACT:

First, let's separate fiction from facts. If your hair roots are dead, there's nothing in this world you can do about it. But if your roots still have life in them, you may be able to do something about it. If you are losing your hair due to insufficient circulation of the blood and tissue fluid you can be helped. Medical science recommends massage and brushing, but human nature, being what it is, we never get around to giving ourselves the proper amount of hair-saving massage and brushing.

Amazing New Invention Does the Work!

Some doctors now believe that nervous tension may be a factor in falling hair and baldness. Emotional tension may produce circulatory impairment to the scalp, which tends to interfere with nutrition of the hair roots. Hair thins out and bald spots appear.

VIBRA BRUSH helps relieve this muscular tension and relaxes you as though by magic! Run VIBRA BRUSH over scalp, starting from forehead and working slowly to back of head. Almost ot once the gentle stimulation and vibration loosens tenseness! The scalp relaxes, relaxation spreads to the facial muscles and then even to the rest of the body. With relaxation circulation improves, blood flows to the hair roots, and fatigue will often be relieved. With improved circulation nutrition is brought to the hair roots more freely and your hair will be greatly benefited!

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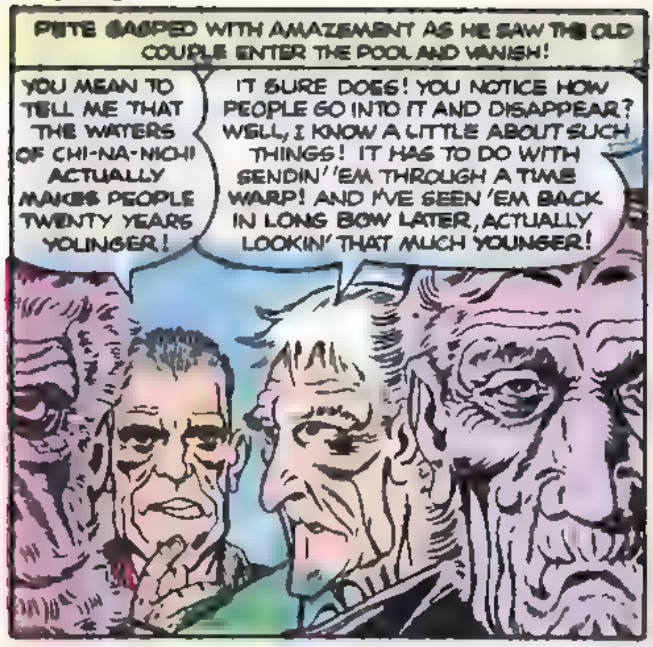
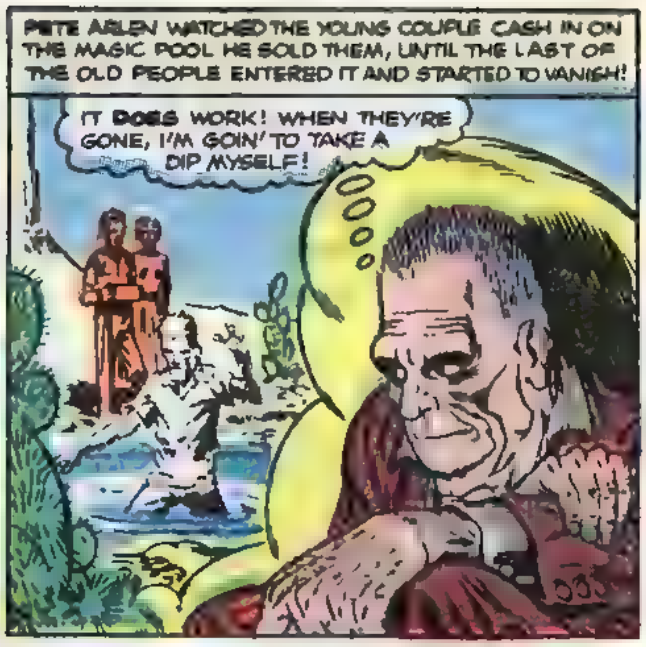
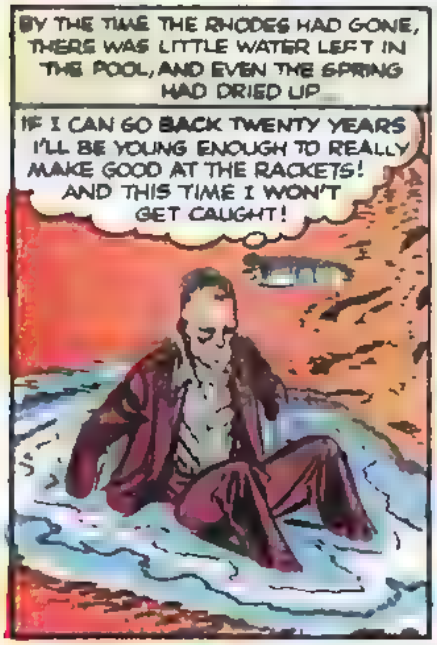
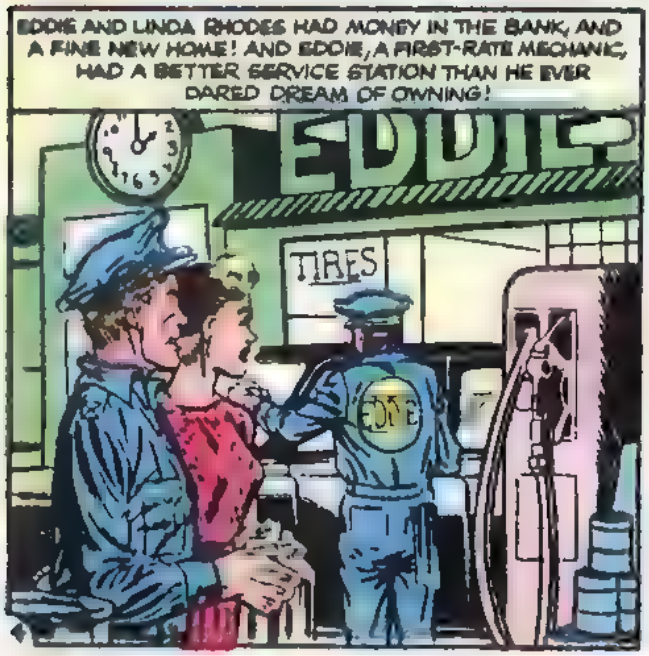

PETE GASPED WITH AMAZEMENT AS HE SAW THE OLD COUPLE ENTER THE POOL AND VANISH!
YOU MEAN TO TELL ME THAT THE WATERS OF CHI-NA-NICHI ACTUALLY MAKES PEOPLE TWENTY YEARS YOUNGER!
IT SURE DOES! YOU NOTICE HOW PEOPLE GO INTO IT AND DISAPPEAR? WELL, I KNOW A LITTLE ABOUT SUCH THINGS! IT HAS TO DO WITH SENDIN' 'EM THROUGH A TIME WARP! AND I'VE SEEN 'EM BACK IN LONG BOW LATER, ACTUALLY LOOKIN' THAT MUCH YOUNGER!


PETE ARLEN WATCHED THE YOUNG COUPLE CASH IN ON THE MAGIC POOL HE SOLD THEM, UNTIL THE LAST OF THE OLD PEOPLE ENTERED IT AND STARTED TO VANISH!
IT DOES WORK! WHEN THEY'RE GONE, I'M GOIN' TO TAKE A DIP MYSELF!


BY THE TIME THE RHODES HAD GONE, THERE WAS LITTLE WATER LEFT IN THE POOL, AND EVEN THE SPRING HAD DRIED UP...
IF I CAN GO BACK TWENTY YEARS I'LL BE YOUNG ENOUGH TO REALLY MAKE GOOD AT THE RACKETS! AND THIS TIME I WON'T GET CAUGHT!

AS THE OLD PEOPLE HAD DONE, PETE STARTED TO FADE INTO THE TIME WARP..

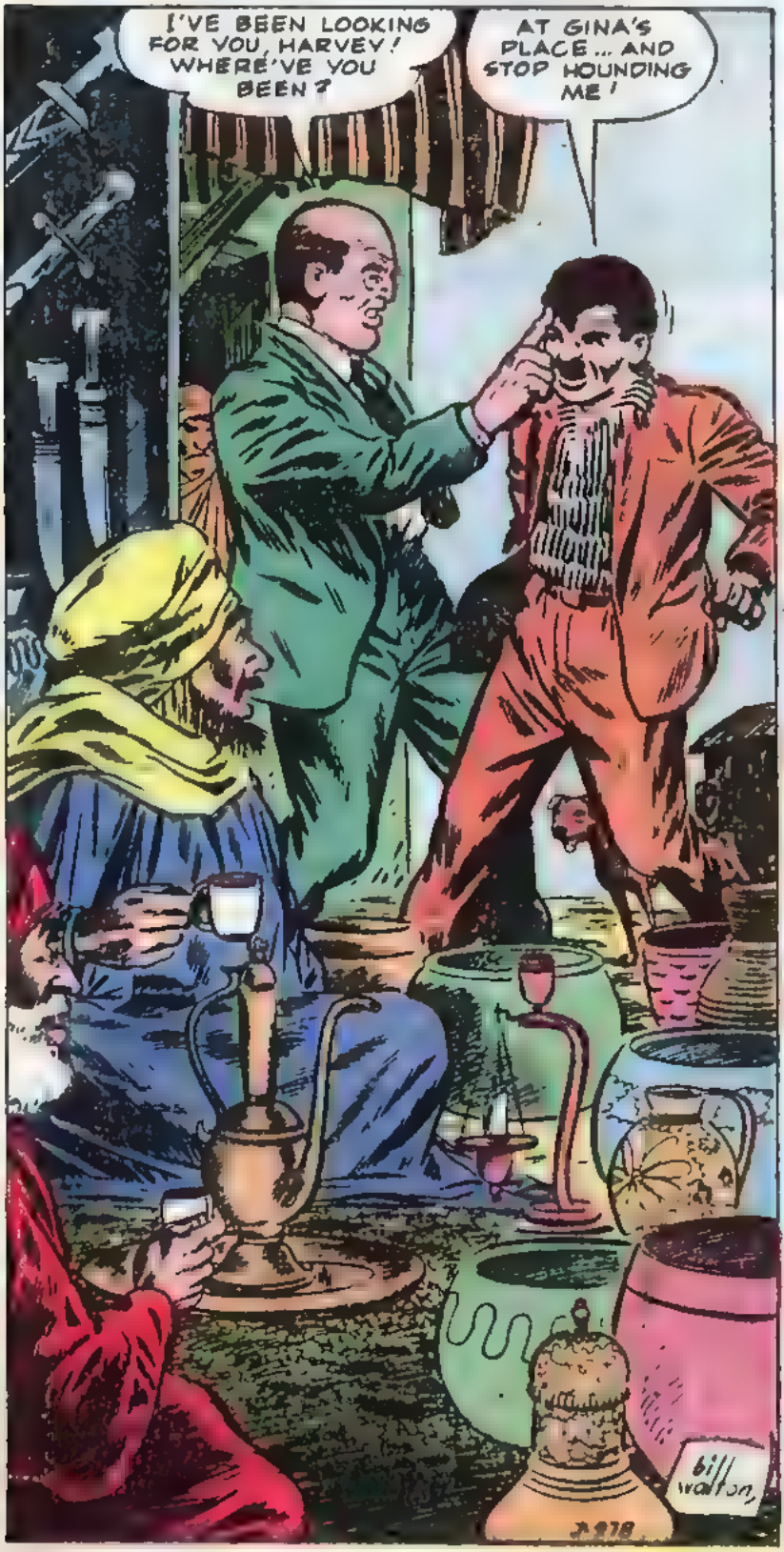
MAGIC CHI-HA-NICHI DRIED UP AFTER PETE ARLEN VANISHED! BUT THE WATER HAD SERVED ITS PURPOSE! THERE WERE NO OLD PEOPLE LEFT IN LONG BOW


EDDIE AND LINDA RHODES HAD MONEY IN THE BANK, AND A FINE NEW HOME! AND EDDIE, A FIRST-RATE MECHANIC, HAD A BETTER SERVICE STATION THAN HE EVER DARED DREAM OF OWNING!
EDDIE
TIRES

AS FOR PETE ARLEN... WELL, HE WENT BACK 20 YEARS, TOO! WHEN THE WATERS OF CHI-HA NICHI FULFILLED THEIR PROMISE, PETE STARTED A 20-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE...FOR THAT'S WHAT HE WAS DOING 20 YEARS BEFORE!
THE END

FOR A LONG TIME, HARVEY WILSON LONGED TO QUIT THE EAST AND RETURN TO THE STATES, BUT THE ONE OBSTACLE WAS GORDON DUNBAR... AND A MORE DIFFICULT OBSTACLE WOULD HAVE BEEN HARD TO FIND...

THE MYSTERY OF THE MISSING MAN



I'LL DO MORE THAN THAT! WHAT ARE YOU TWO UP TO?
WE'RE GOING TO GET MARRIED! AND THEN WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE STATES...GET A CLEAN START!

NO YOU DON'T, HARVEY! I'VE GOT OTHER PLANS FOR YOU AND ME! I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THEM ALL DAY! C'MON... I'LL SHOW YOU!
NO! I DON'T WANT ANY PART OF IT... LEGGO!

DESPITE HIS PROTESTS, THE BIGGER MAN LED HIM OFF! FINALLY, BEFORE THE CLUTTERED WINDOW OF A NATIVE CURIO SHOP...

THIS IS IT, PAL! I'VE BEEN LOOKING OVER THE PLACE CAREFULLY! IT'S GOT A BACK DOOR WHICH THE GUY USUALLY FORGETS TO LOCK!

NO, DUNBAR! I'VE HEARD ABOUT THIS PLACE! THE OWNER IS A REAL MYSTIC ... A STRANGE GUY!

YOU'LL DO LIKE I SAY, OR I'LL SHOW GINA THAT I.O.U. OF YOURS! I'M SURE SHE WOULDN'T EXACTLY APPROVE OF YOUR GAMBLING DEBTS!

OKAY, DUNBAR, I SEE YOUR POINT!

THAT NIGHT, WHEN A THICK LAYER OF CLOUDS OBSCURED THE MOON, THE TWO MEN APPEARED AT THE REAR OF THE NATIVE SHOP...

I DON'T WANNA DO IT, DUNBAR!, I'M SCARED!

STOP BLUBBERING! IN YOU GO!

AS DUNBAR KNEW, THE DOOR **WAS** UNLOCKED, AND AS HARVEY PEERED INTO THE GLOOMY INTERIOR, HIS HEART THUDDED AGAINST HIS RIBS...

I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF IT! AND THOSE MASKS...THEY ALMOST LOOK ALIVE!

BUT THE FEAR OF DUNBAR'S WRATH WAS GREATER STILL! CAUTIOUSLY HE ENTERED THE SHOP, THE SOUND OF HIS OWN BREATHING LOUD IN HIS EARS...

I WISH I WASN'T DOING THIS, BUT DUNBAR WON'T LET ME ALONE! IF I DIDN'T COME TONIGHT, HE MIGHT EVEN HAVE HARMED GINA!

I-I'LL HAVE TO TAKE SOMETHING! I'VE GOT NO CHOICE...

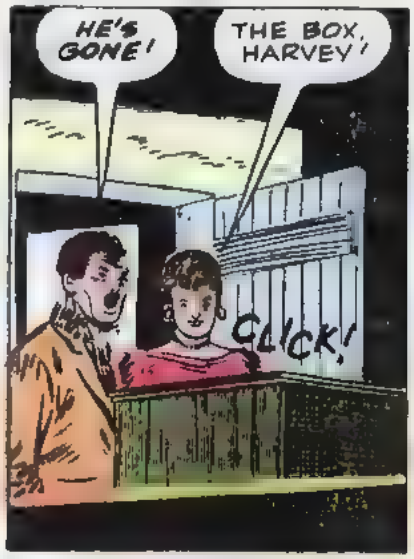
BUT AS HIS HAND CLOSED OVER THE SMALL BOX...

THE MASK! IT'S ALIVE!

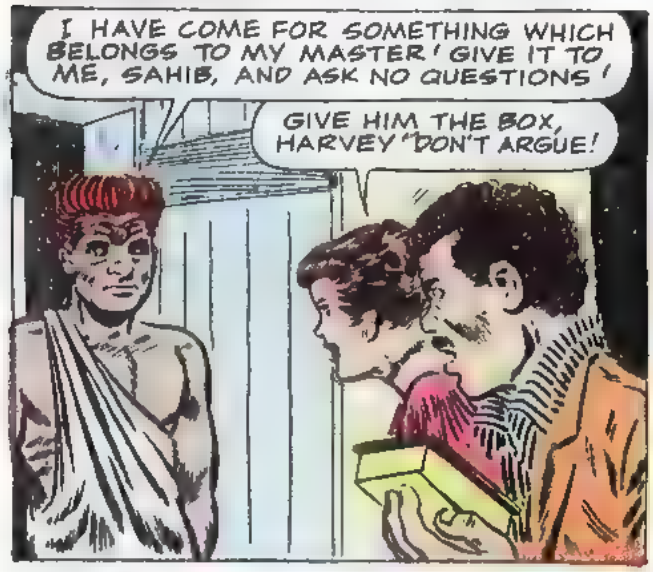
WHOOOOOOOO

PANIC SPURRED HIS FLIGHT, AND HE LEAPED FROM A WINDOW TO WHERE DUNBAR WAITED...
WHAT'S THAT?
WHOOOOOOO
IT'S ALIVE! IT'S AFTER US!
HOLD ON... WAIT!
SHORTLY AFTERWARD, WHEN DUNBAR CAUGHT UP WITH THE EXHAUSTED HARVEY...
WHAT HAPPENED? START TALKING!
YOU HEARD IT! IT WAS (PUFF!) ALIVE! AND ITS EYES, ALL GLITTERING AND BRIGHT! THEN IT STARTED TO WAIL...
...JUST THE SECOND I PICKED THIS UP!
SO YOU DIDN'T LEAVE EMPTY-HANDED...
I'LL TAKE THIS!
DON'T BE A FOOL, DUNBAR! BETTER HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH IT! THROW IT AWAY!
POCKETING HIS PRIZE, DUNBAR PUSHED PAST THE PROTESTING HARVEY! THEN, WHEN THEY ENTERED GINA'S PLACE, ONLY A SHORT DISTANCE OFF...
GET OUT! I TOLD YOU NEVER TO COME IN HERE AGAIN!
EXPLAIN THINGS TO HER, HARVEY! I'LL WAIT IN THE BACK ROOM!
WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT IS THERE TO... WHAT'S THAT?
HELP!
IT'S DUNBAR! HE'S IN TROUBLE!

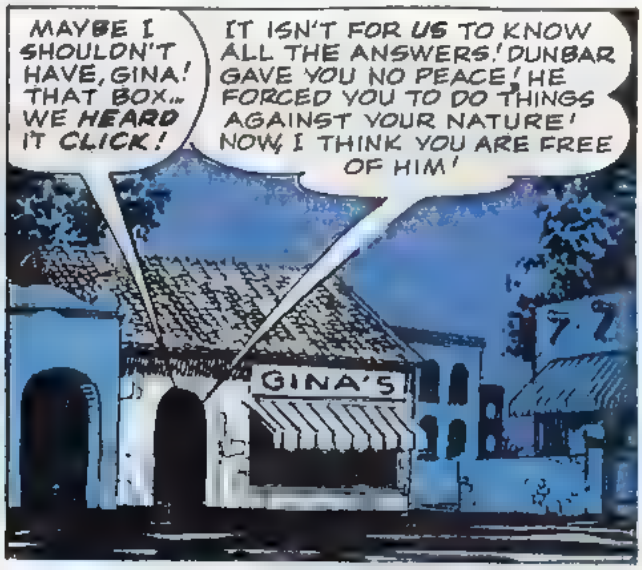
A SECOND LATER, THE DOOR GAVE, BUT WHEN THEY DASHED INTO THE ROOM...



BUT NOW A SHADOW FELL ACROSS THE THRESHOLD, AND WHEN THEY LOOKED UP...


I HAVE COME FOR SOMETHING WHICH BELONGS TO MY MASTER! GIVE IT TO ME, SAHIB, AND ASK NO QUESTIONS!
GIVE HIM THE BOX, HARVEY "DON'T ARGUE!

AND WHEN THE STRANGE MESSENGER HAD LEFT...


MAYBE I SHOULDN'T HAVE, GINA! THAT BOX... WE HEARD IT CLICK!
IT ISN'T FOR US TO KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS! DUNBAR GAVE YOU NO PEACE! HE FORCED YOU TO DO THINGS AGAINST YOUR NATURE! NOW, I THINK YOU ARE FREE OF HIM!
GINA'S

I'LL SELL THE SHOP AND WE WILL LEAVE FOR THE STATES! IT'S WHAT WE WANT! A NEW LIFE... A CHANCE FOR NEW HOPE!
YES, GINA! WE'LL GET MARRIED RIGHT AWAY! THERE'S NOTHING TO HARM US NOW!

THE FOLLOWING MORNING, IN THE NATIVE CURIO SHOP, A NEW PIECE WAS ADDED TO SOME OTHERS... A SMALL FIGURE AROUND EIGHT INCHES HIGH! IF HARVEY WILSON WERE THERE TO SEE IT, HE WOULD HAVE RECOGNIZED IT AT ONCE!

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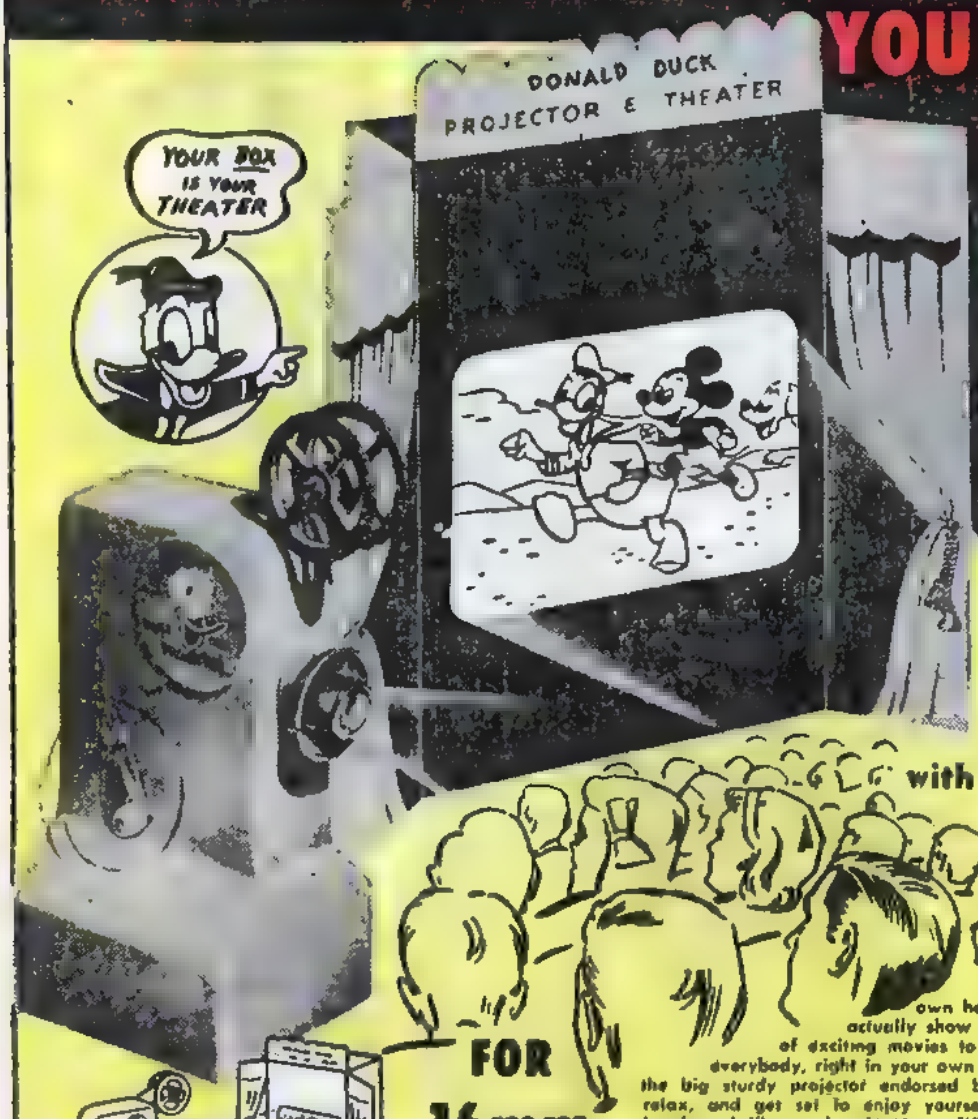

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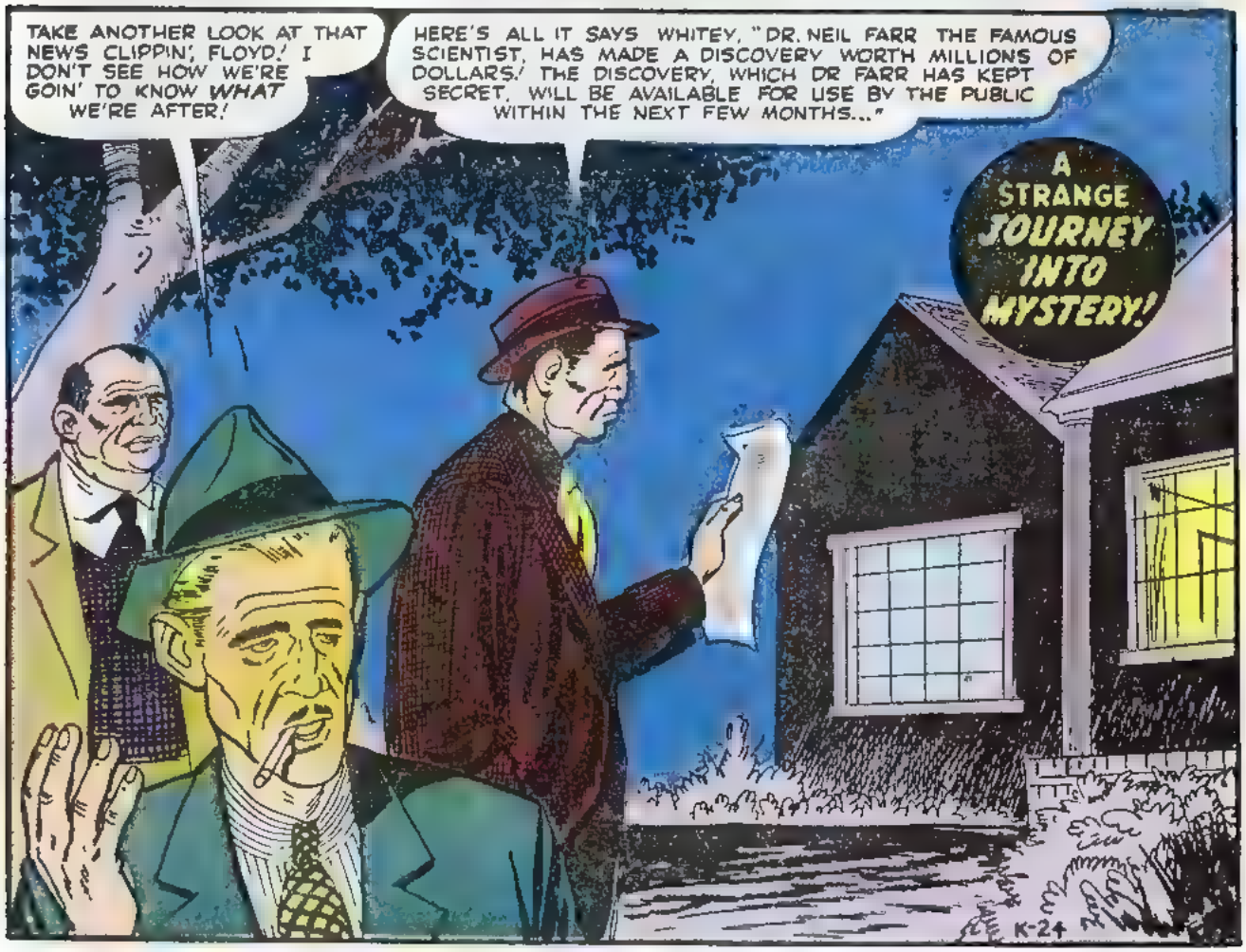
ALL THAT STOOD BETWEEN THREE DESPERATE MEN AND A MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR FORTUNE WAS A FOOT-SQUARE CUBE OF IMPENETRABLE METAL... AND A SCIENTIST WHO COULDN'T SURVIVE WITHOUT HIS PILLS!

THE BOX THAT WOULDN'T OPEN!


TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT THAT NEWS CLIPPIN', FLOYD! I DON'T SEE HOW WE'RE GOIN' TO KNOW WHAT WE'RE AFTER!
HERE'S ALL IT SAYS WHITEY, "DR. NEIL FARR THE FAMOUS SCIENTIST, HAS MADE A DISCOVERY WORTH MILLIONS OF DOLLARS! THE DISCOVERY, WHICH DR FARR HAS KEPT SECRET, WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR USE BY THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS..."
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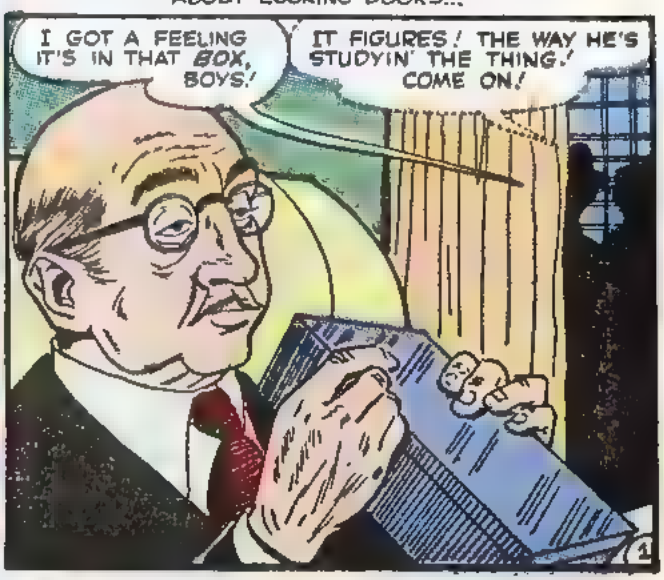
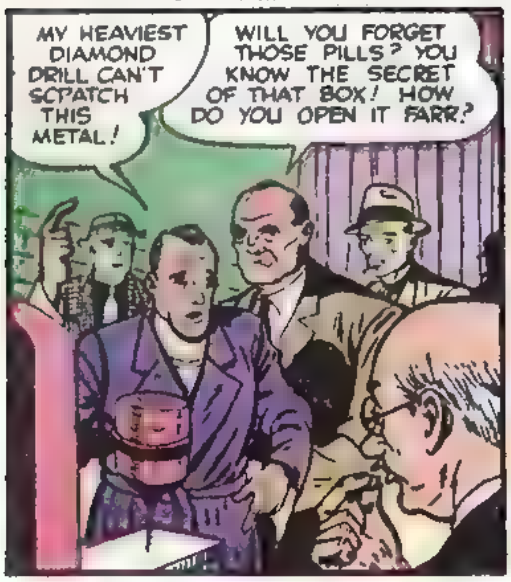
THE THUGS FOUND ENTRY INTO THE SCIENTIST'S HOME A SIMPLE MATTER! DR. FARR WAS CARELESS ABOUT LOCKING DOORS...

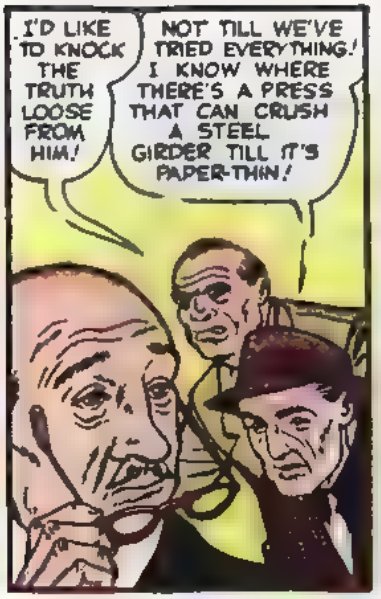


THEY WERE UPON THE SCIENTIST BEFORE HE WAS AWARE OF THEIR PRESENCE...
W-WHAT DO YOU WANT?
WE DON'T KNOW YET... BUT WE'LL FIND OUT! HOW DO YOU OPEN THIS BOX?
THERE'S NOTHING IN THAT BOX! IF YOU JUST TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT...
NO, YOU TELL US! WE READ IN THE PAPERS ABOUT SOME SECRET DISCOVERY! NOW, OPEN THAT BOX FOR US!
IF YOU SHOOT ME, YOU'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT MY SECRET IS!
HE'S RIGHT, MONK! THERE'S SOME TOOLS BACK AGAINST THE WALL! GET ME A SAW!
UHH... PLEASE, I'VE GOT TO HAVE A PILL... B-BOTTLE THERE... IN MY DESK!
THIS METAL'S SO TOUGH IT'S BREAKING THE SAW'S TEETH! WHITEY, GIVE FARR HIS PILLS... WE'RE GOING TO NEED HIS HELP!
DR. FARR TOOK A WHITE PILL AND WAS BETTER IN A FEW MINUTES! MEANWHILE, BIG MONK GRAVES POUNDED AWAY AT THE BOX...
THIS SLEDGE ISN'T WORKING! WE'LL TRY A MACHINE SHOP! COME ON... AND BRING DR. FARR ALONG!
AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS, CAPT MIKE EGAN GLARED AT HIS TOP DETECTIVE, SGT. DAN BOYD...
YOU THINK I'M SOFT IN THE HEAD, BOYD? THERE'S NO PHONE CALL, NO TELETYPE... NOTHING! BUT YOU GOT A HUNCH DR FARR'S IN TROUBLE!
IT'S NOT A HUNCH, CAPTAIN! I DON'T KNOW HOW I KNOW, BUT I KNOW FARR'S IN THE HANDS OF THREE THUGS!
WANTED
MISSING 1467
OKAY, BOYD! RUN UP TO FARR'S PLACE! TAKE DOYLE WITH YOU! BUT IF YOU'RE UP TO SOME MONKEY BUSINESS I'LL BUST YOU BACK TO POUNDING A BEAT!

THE THREE TOUGHS FOUND A MACHINE SHOP AND AWAKENED THE OWNER...

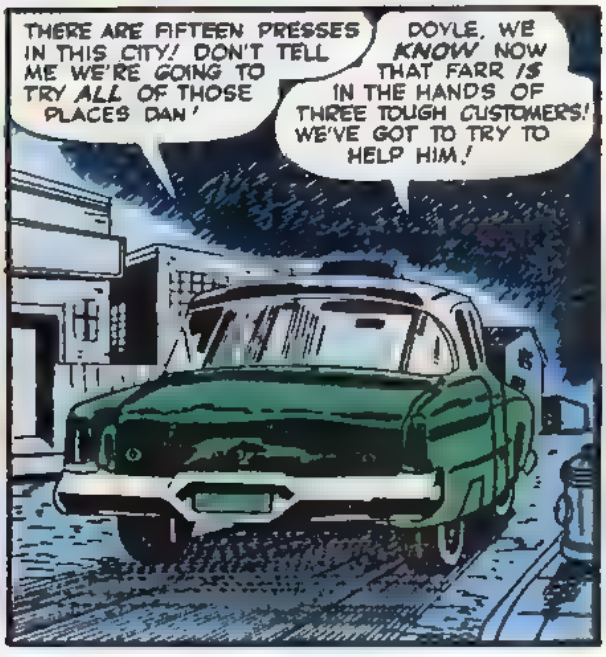

MY HEAVIEST DIAMOND DRILL CAN'T SCRATCH THIS METAL!
WILL YOU FORGET THOSE PILLS? YOU KNOW THE SECRET OF THAT BOX! HOW DO YOU OPEN IT FARR?

THE SCIENTIST WOULD NOT EVEN ANSWER...

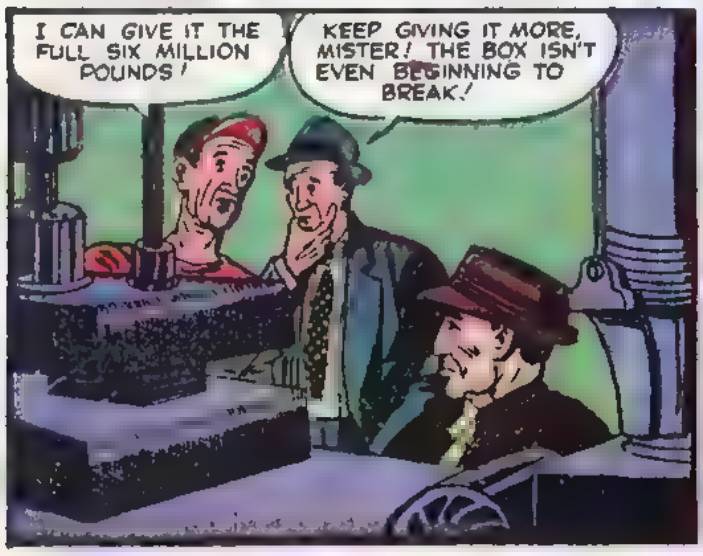

I'D LIKE TO KNOCK THE TRUTH LOOSE FROM HIM!
NOT TILL WE'VE TRIED EVERYTHING! I KNOW WHERE THERE'S A PRESS THAT CAN CRUSH A STEEL GIRDER TILL IT'S PAPER-THIN!

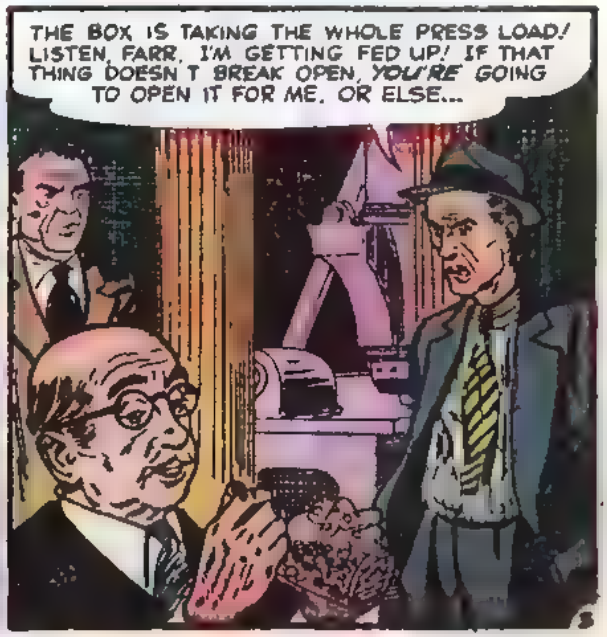
DETECTIVES BOYD AND DOYLE HAD REACHED DR. FARR'S LAB AND FOUND EVERYTHING PEACEFUL...

DOYLE RELUCTANTLY JOINED HIS SUPERIOR, AND THEY DROVE TO THE WEST STREET MACHINE SHOP...


THERE ARE FIFTEEN PRESSES IN THIS CITY! DON'T TELL ME WE'RE GOING TO TRY ALL OF THOSE PLACES DAN!
DOYLE, WE KNOW NOW THAT FARR IS IN THE HANDS OF THREE TOUGH CUSTOMERS! WE'VE GOT TO TRY TO HELP HIM!

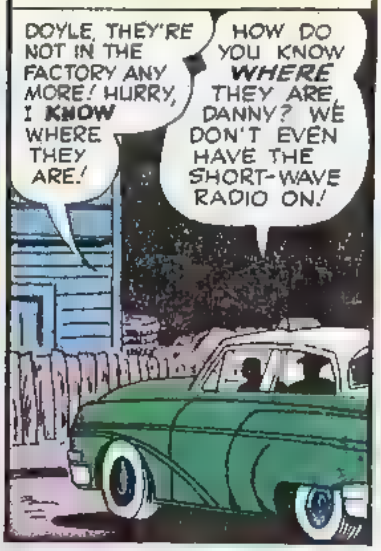
AT THAT MOMENT, AT THE GREYTON SCRAP METAL COMPANY THE NIGHT SHIFT PRESS OPERATOR WAS TRYING TO ACCOMODATE THEM...




THE BOX IS TAKING THE WHOLE PRESS LOAD! LISTEN, FARR, I'M GETTING FED UP! IF THAT THING DOESN'T BREAK OPEN, YOU'RE GOING TO OPEN IT FOR ME, OR ELSE...

DR FARR SEEMED TO FEEL BETTER AFTER TAKING THE PILL BUT THE THUGS HAD BEEN THWARTED AND WERE IN AN UGLY MOOD...

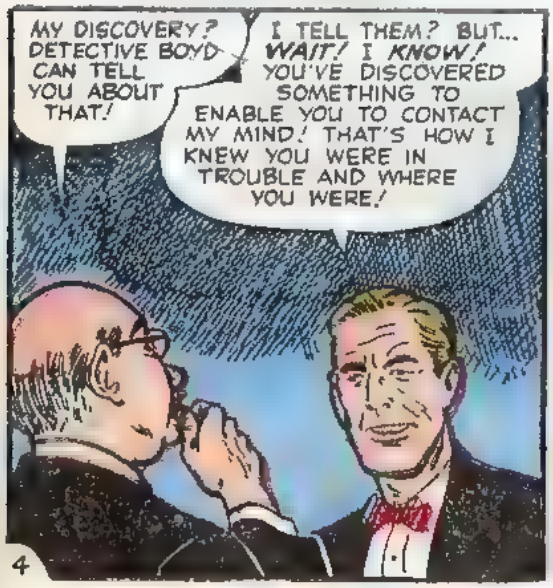
A FEW MINUTES LATER A POLICE CAR ROARED UP TO THE FACTORY...

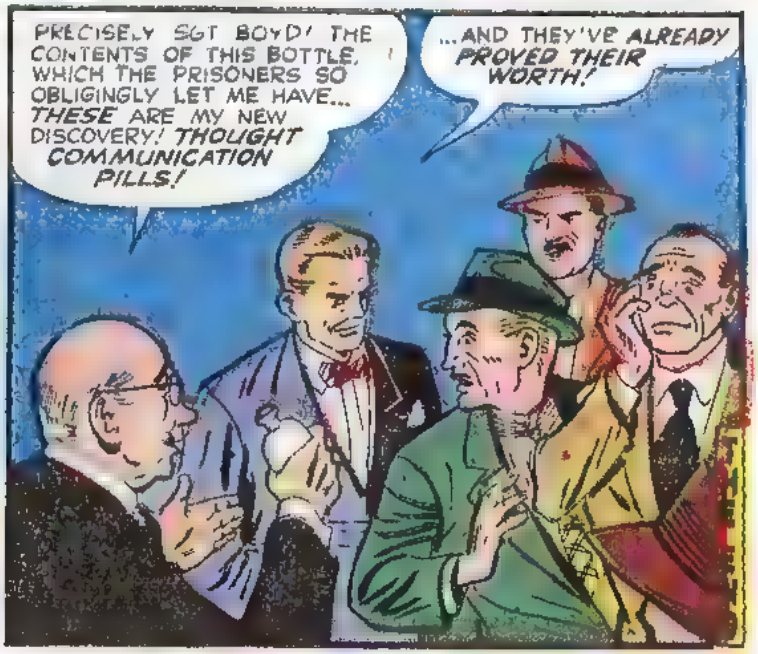

DOYLE, THEY'RE NOT IN THE FACTORY ANY MORE! HURRY, I KNOW WHERE THEY ARE!
HOW DO YOU KNOW WHERE THEY ARE, DANNY? WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THE SHORT-WAVE RADIO ON!

NOW, FARR, YOU OPEN THAT BOX AND HAND US THAT SECRET DISCOVERY OF YOURS!
I-I CAN'T OPEN THE BOX, I TELL YOU! OH... I'VE GOT TO TAKE MY PILLS!

I TRIED TO TELL THEM THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS BOX! IT'S JUST A CUBE OF A NEW, SUPER-HARD METAL I'VE RECENTLY DISCOVERED!
THEN WHAT IS YOUR DISCOVERY?

DR FARR TOOK ANOTHER WHITE PILL! HE SMILED AND SIGHED...


MY DISCOVERY? DETECTIVE BOYD CAN TELL YOU ABOUT THAT!
I TELL THEM? BUT... WAIT! I KNOW! YOU'VE DISCOVERED SOMETHING TO ENABLE YOU TO CONTACT MY MIND! THAT'S HOW I KNEW YOU WERE IN TROUBLE AND WHERE YOU WERE!


PRECISELY SGT BOYD! THE CONTENTS OF THIS BOTTLE, WHICH THE PRISONERS SO OBLIGINGLY LET ME HAVE... THESE ARE MY NEW DISCOVERY! THOUGHT COMMUNICATION PILLS!
...AND THEY'VE ALREADY PROVED THEIR WORTH!

THE SERVANTS

INVENTING things just for the fun of inventing didn't seem a worthwhile pursuit to Mrs. Bartholomew. Every week end she would watch her husband tinker around with odd parts of machinery. At the end of a day he always had produced an interesting-looking gadget. It was always something unique, but unfortunately it served no useful purpose.

"Do you realize," he asked his wife, "that the latest production I turned out had over a million moving parts."

"Don't think you're impressing me one bit by talking all that nonsense," his wife insisted. "The day you invent something that does more than *move*, I'll be happy."

Her husband's feelings were unhurt by this truth.

"How stupid I've been!" he told himself angrily, "just tinkering around selfishly instead of turning out something constructive. My wife's birthday is coming soon. Wouldn't it be wonderful if I could surprise her for once with something of merit . . . something she'd really enjoy."

He smoked his pipe reflectively as he watched his wife busy herself with the day's chores. He sat back and marveled at the ambitious way she tackled her household activities. Her hands fairly flew over the furniture, the floors, the walls of the house. She didn't stop for a second until everything just sparkled with cleanliness.

Then when she was completely exhausted, she set herself to preparing dinner.

Mr. Bartholomew sat in his easy chair and it broke his heart to think that his wife had so much to do. Suddenly, he sat up with a start.

His wife looked at him suspiciously.

"What's the matter?" she asked.

"I was just thinking," he said.

Mr. Bartholomew had formed a plan that made him dizzy with excitement. For once he would have an invention that would thrill his wife and probably make him a million dollars.

Each night he hurried to his workshop and painstakingly assembled the parts necessary to his master plan. On his wife's birthday, he led her to the workshop and proudly pointed to a strange assembly of parts that stood about five feet tall on wheels. Two arm-like devices extended from it.

"For you, my dear," said Mr. Bartholomew bowing graciously.

His wife frowned.

"What am I expected to do with that?" she demanded.

"It's for your housework!" Mr. Bartholomew cried.

"Well, whatever do you expect me to do? Scrub the floor with that contraption on my back?"

"Such a sense of humor!" exclaimed her husband sweetly. "Now, pay attention, darling, and you'll see what a marvel this is."

He turned a winder behind the new invention, and the mechanical length began to move forward on its wheels. He then placed a feather duster in the arm-like device. Immediately, the amazing gadget began to dust the walls, the tables with an efficiency that startled Mrs. Bartholomew.

"Leaping lima beans!" she exclaimed happily. "What a wonderful idea! Oh, Egbert, my love, you are a genius!"

Egbert Bartholomew beamed so brightly you could have seen him in the forest at midnight.

"I thought you'd be thrilled," he admitted modestly.

For the next week the mechanical cleaner kept their house in complete order.

"Egbert, I don't want to complain," his wife said one day, "but wouldn't it be wonderful if you could make a few improvements on your invention. For instance, if in some way you could get this mechanical device to do the cooking as well as the cleaning . . . Do you think it could be done?"

Egbert succeeded with this, and he and his wife settled down to a lazy, more leisurely life. The mechanical servant fulfilled its job beautifully.

Mrs. Bartholomew was enviously regarded by all her neighbors, and she put her nose higher into the air and began to act snooty.

"It would be nice to have a butler in the house, too," she suggested to her husband finally.

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I CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITH HIM! HE'S LOCKED HIMSELF IN AND REFUSES TO GIVE UP THE WHEEL!

CAPTAIN MARSTON! YOU'RE OFF COURSE... YOU'RE HEADING INTO WHIRLPOOL WATERS ABOUT THE SARGASSO SEA!

Bill Powell

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THE FRANTIC CRIES OF THE CREW FELL ON DEAFENED EARS' WITH HANDS OF STEEL CAPTAIN MARSTON HELD THE VESSEL ON A COURSE DUE NORTH.

SWING ABOUT CAPTAIN .YOU RE HEADING D RECTLY INTO THE SARGASSO WHIRL-POOL!

THE VITAL ROCKET FUEL WE RE CARRYING TO ENGLAND . THINK OF THAT CAPTAIN THINK OF YOUR DUTY TO YOUR COUNTRY!

DUE NORTH. I MUST STEER DUE NORTH . NOTH NG MUST CAUSE ME TO CHANGE COURSE

RATTLE RATTLE

TOO LATE, THE DESPERATE CREW MEMBERS BURST INTO THE BRIDGE, AS THE VESSEL TEETERED ON THE LIP OF THE ROARING VORTEX...

REVERSE ENGINES! HURRY!

THEN, IN A NIGHTMARISH MAELSTROM OF WIND AND WATER, THE "MARY ANN" SPUN INTO THE WHIRLPOOL

TOO LATE!

AN HOUR LATER, THE WHIRLING WATER OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC DISGORGED ITS VICTIM INTO...**THE SARGASSO SEA!**

WE'LL NEVER GET OUT THROUGH THE WHIRLPOOL AGAIN!

TRAPPED FOREVER AMONG A THOUSAND ANCIENT WRECKS... OTHER VICTIMS OF THE DREADED SARGASSO!

WHAT MADE ME DO IT? I KNEW WHAT I WAS DOING, BUT I COULDN'T PREVENT IT!

YOU WENT BALMY, CAPTAIN.. AND FINISHED US ALL FOR KEEPS!

LOOK... THERE'S LIFE ON A VESSEL YONDER!

HOPE WELLED IN THE CHESTS OF THE LOST CREW.. SOMEONE HAD SURVIVED THE SARGASSO!

AHOY THERE! I'M CAPTAIN MARSTON OF THE "MARY ANN"! WHAT MANNER OF ILL WIND BLEW YE HERE?

COME ABOARD, CAPT. MARSTON! IN THE COMFORT OF MY CABIN, YOU'LL HEAR MY TALE!

SHORTLY, CAPTAIN MARSTON LISTENED IN AWE TO AN INCREDIBLE TALE OF SEAFARING WOE.

SUCH A VESSEL YOU HAVE.. AS CLEAN AND NEW AS THE SEA BREEZE! YOU SAY SHE'S NAMED THE "FLYING STAR"?

AYE BUT LITTLE GOOD SHE DID ME THAT FORTNIGHT AGO, WHEN MY FUEL RAN LOW!

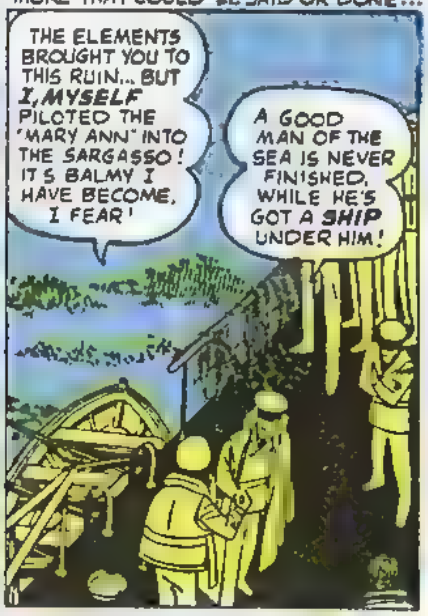
"THE GALE WAS BUFFETING ME TOPSIDE LIKE A GIANT FIST! OUR FUEL HAD LEAKED OUT AND WE WERE HELPLESS..."

SHE'S GOING DOWN, LADS THERE'S NO POWER TO FIGHT THIS RAGE!

BOOM

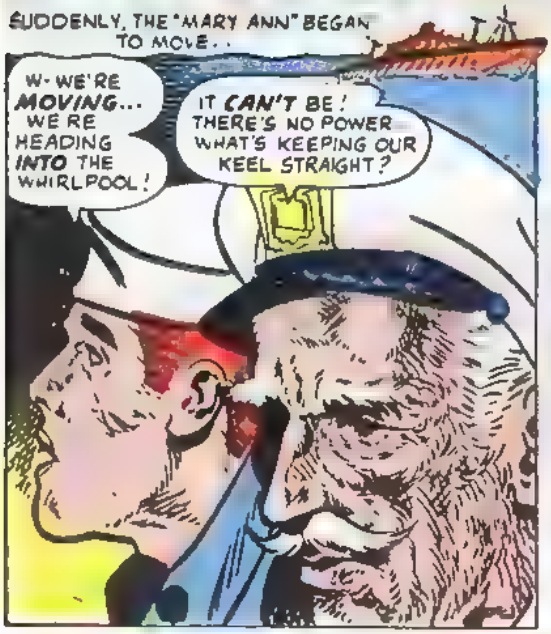
"LATER, WE COULD SEE THE STARS PLAIN AS DAY. BUT IT WAS TOO LATE."

THE CAPTAIN OF THE "FLYING STAR" FINISHED. AND THERE SEEMED LITTLE MORE THAT COULD BE SAID OR DONE...

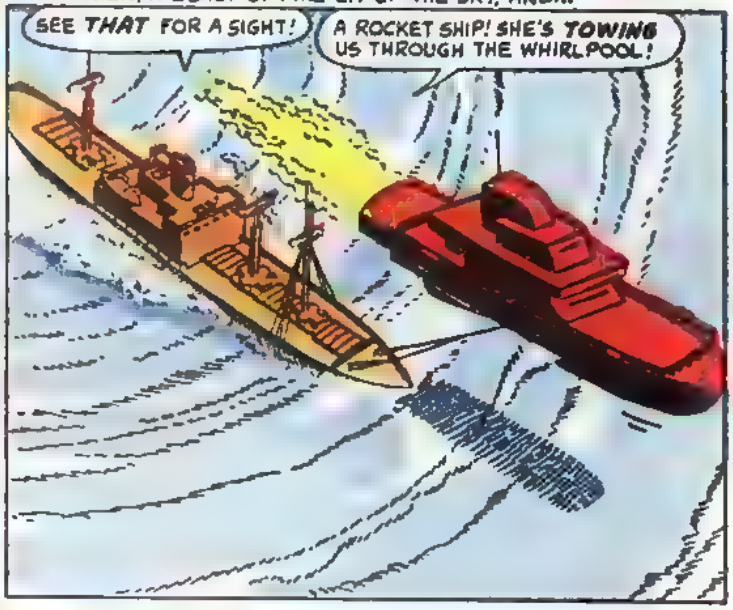

THE ELEMENTS BROUGHT YOU TO THIS RUIN... BUT I, MYSELF PILOTED THE "MARY ANN" INTO THE SARGASSO! IT'S BALMY I HAVE BECOME, I FEAR!
A GOOD MAN OF THE SEA IS NEVER FINISHED, WHILE HE'S GOT A SHIP UNDER HIM!

THAT NIGHT, AS CAPTAIN MARSTON SAT ON DECK IN SOMBER THOUGHT..

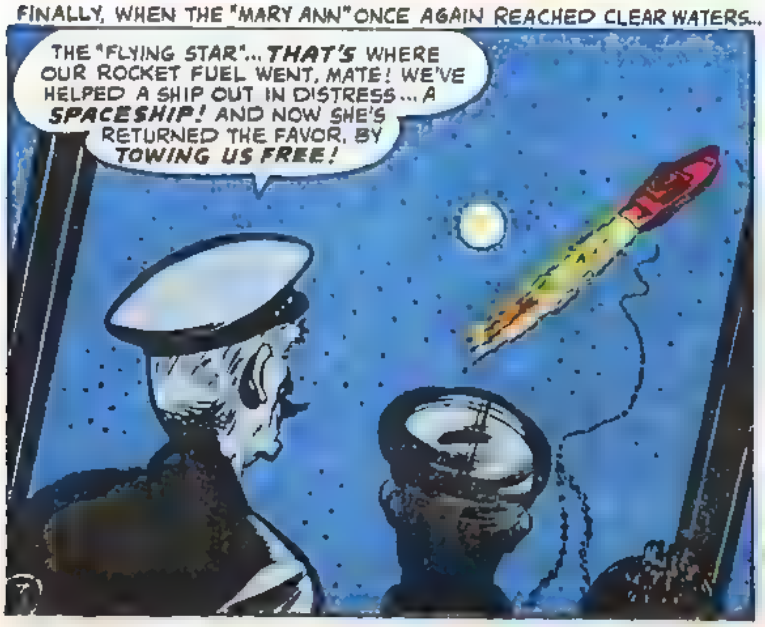
SUDDENLY, THE "MARY ANN" BEGAN TO MOVE..



THEN, A BLAST OF FIRE LIT UP THE SKY, AND...



FINALLY, WHEN THE "MARY ANN" ONCE AGAIN REACHED CLEAR WATERS..


THE "FLYING STAR"... THAT'S WHERE OUR ROCKET FUEL WENT, MATE! WE'VE HELPED A SHIP OUT IN DISTRESS... A SPACESHIP! AND NOW SHE'S RETURNED THE FAVOR, BY TOWING US FREE!

NOW, HOW DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT SPACESHIP CAPTAIN LURED ME HERE? AYE, THE MYSTERIES OF THE SEA ARE MANY...BUT I'D GIVE A POUND OF MY BEST TOBACCO TO KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT ONE!
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He went to work and produced a mechanical man servant to his wife's delight. They called him Alfred, the brother to the mechanical sister Alfreda.

One day Mrs. Bartholomew complained that it wasn't enough to have her mechanical servants operate without being able to talk.

"It isn't dignified," she said, "to have a butler answer the door without being able to know people's names."

"If I add this to the mechanical brain," said Egbert thoughtfully, "I will have produced perfect robots, indeed! They will be able to talk and think for themselves."

"Well, it's about time," his wife said crankily. "I can't bear to put up with these silly, empty-headed machines any longer."

The changes were made, and you could hardly say that Alfed and Alfreda were empty-heads any longer. They had the best possibly constructed brains. In fact their conversations were so brilliant and superior, that Mrs. Bartholomew was quite in awe of them.

One day Mr. Bartholomew came home and found his wife doing the dusting. He looked at her in amazement!

"What's the meaning of this?" he demanded.

"Well, Alfred and Alfreda are taking naps. They're exhausted from all the reading they've been doing lately. We mustn't really disturb them, Egbert. They're writing a *book!*"

"Do tell!" cried Egbert happily. "Won't that be something to tell our friends!"

The next day, he came in and found Mrs. Bartholomew was scrubbing the floors.

"Shhhh," she told him. "Don't make any noise. Alfred and Alfreda are writing the final chapters."

The next night Egbert could hardly get into his house. The living room was filled with reporters. Flash bulbs were popping! There sat his mechanical servants handsomely dressed in the Bartholomew's Sunday clothing.

"I had to give them decent things to wear," said his wife excitedly. "The publisher they called about their book has bought it for a fabulous price!"

The phone didn't stop ringing that day. Alfred and Alfreda were beautifully diplomatic. They signed their names for autographs. They agreed to

appear on a number of television shows. The book they had written was an autobiography of what it felt like to be robots.

"Actually, these are advance style robots," Egbert tried to explain to the eager newspaper reporters. "They are engineered according to my special principle of design so that . . ."

But Egbert's explanations were brushed aside for the time being. So fascinated was everyone with the robots, that all they did was keep firing questions at them. Then they would stare and marvel at the intelligence of these mechanical beings.

Mrs. Bartholomew was so flustered at the success of Alfred and Alfreda, that she scarcely knew what to do next. She ran busily from one part of the house to the other, showing the publicity people where Alfred and Alfreda had their rooms. The women reporters exclaimed over the little wire toothbrushes the robots used to keep their steel teeth gleaming silver! They asked what diet the robots existed on, and Mrs. Bartholomew showed them the neat little tins of crude-oil and metallic powder which were a base for all the dishes they ate.

When Alfred and Alfreda called upon her to bring them something cold to drink, Mrs. Bartholomew bustled into the kitchen and poured some cold water. As a cute touch she added, instead of ice cubes, a handful of nuts and bolts. When she set the drinks before the robots, everyone laughed gaily. The robots offered a toast to one another with the metal making delightful clinking sounds against the glass as they drank.

That night, Mrs. Bartholomew cooked a celebration meal. At the head of the table were Alfred and Alfreda, the magnificent robots. After their dinner, the robots relaxed in the living room while the Bartholomews did the dishes. Alfred smoked Egbert's pipe contentedly, and Alfreda smiled lazily. And Egbert winked slyly at his wife. He knew it would just be a matter of time when the robots would get tired of all the attention, and be perfectly contented to go back to their chores, like proper robots should!

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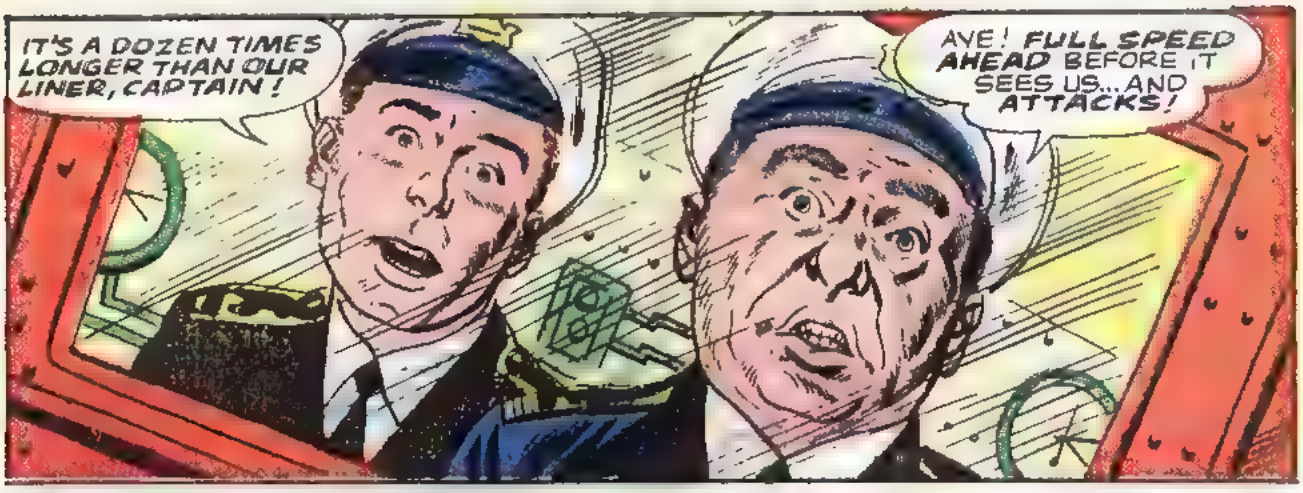
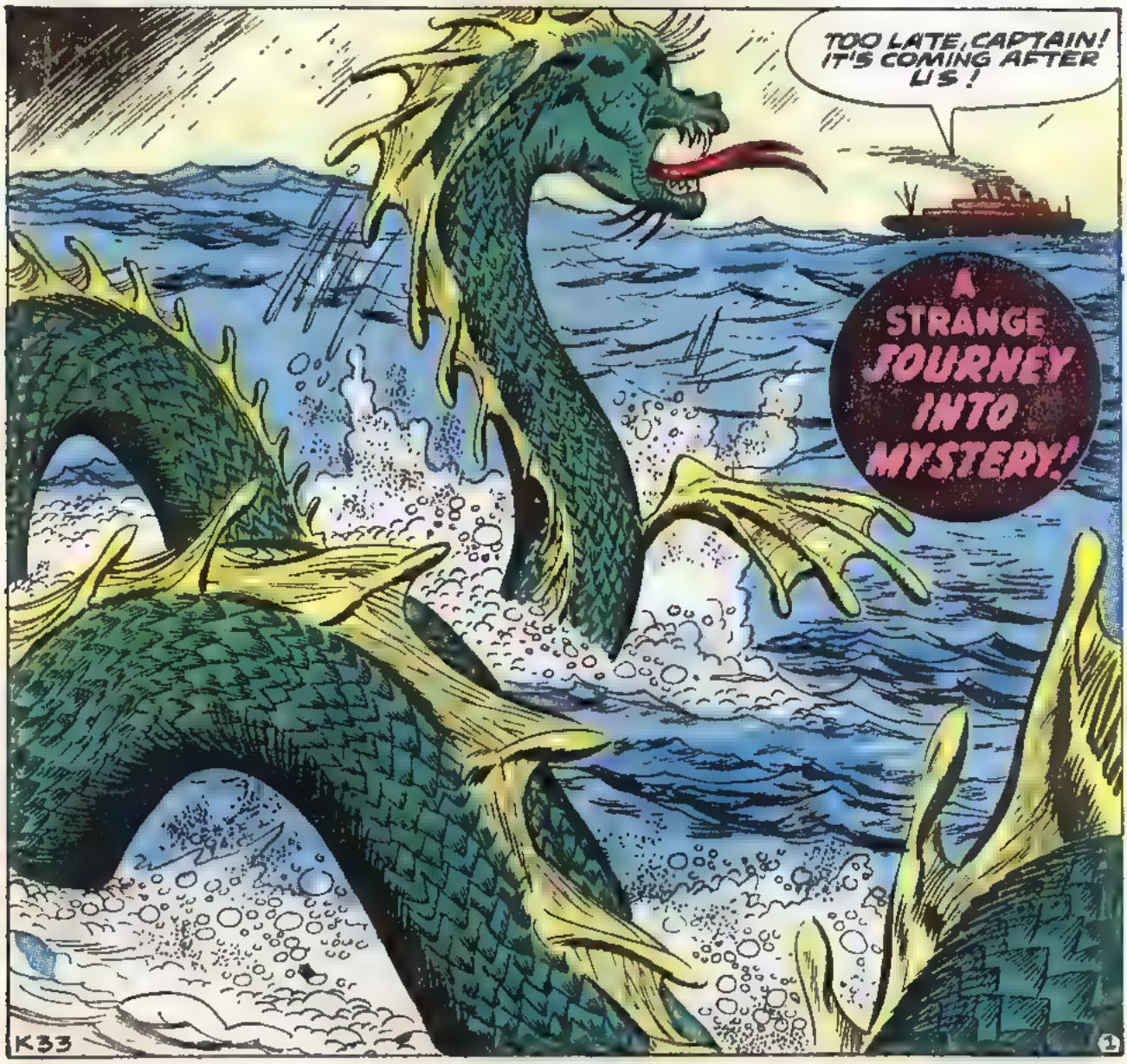


THE RUMORS CAME FIRST...AND PEOPLE LAUGHED! THEN CAME AN AUTHENTIC REPORT FROM THE CAPTAIN OF A GIANT LUXURY LINER AND THE PEOPLE LAUGHED NO MORE! FOR THE CAPTAIN WAS THE FIRST MAN TO ACTUALLY SEE...

THE SEA SERPENT!



QUICK! GET FOOD FROM THE GALLEY AND THROW IT INTO THE WATER! THAT MAY SATISFY THE SEA SERPENT'S HUNGER AND SAVE US!
AYE, AYE, SIR!
VEGETABLES, BREAD AND MEAT WERE DUMPED OVERBOARD AS FAST AS THE CREW COULD BRING IT UP FROM THE SHIP'S KITCHEN...
IT'S WORKING! THE SEA SERPENT IS STOPPING TO EAT THE STUFF WE'RE DROPPING INTO THE OCEAN!
AND WHILE THE SEA SERPENT ATE, THE OCEAN LINER STEAMED AWAY, BREAKING ALL RECORDS ON ITS VOYAGE TO AMERICA!
THE LUXURY LINER IS DOCKING!
IMPOSSIBLE! IT'S NOT DUE IN UNTIL LATE TONIGHT!
NEWSPAPERS, RADIOS AND TV FLASHED THE CAPTAIN'S STORY AROUND THE GLOBE...
MONSTER CITED!
MONSTER CITED!
THERE WERE THOSE WHO BELIEVED THE CAPTAIN, AND THOSE WHO THOUGHT HE WAS JUST A TELLER OF TALL SEA TALES...
BUT THEY SAW IT!
I STILL SAY... IMPOSSIBLE! THERE AIN'T NO SUCH ANIMAL!
SEA SERPENT
BUT THE NEXT DAY, SOMETHING HAPPENED TO CONVINCE EVEN THE MOST STUBBORN ONES...
THE SEA SERPENT! IT'S REACHING UP AFTER US!
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THE PILOT GAVE THE AIR LINER FULL THROTTLE AND CLIMBED!
THAT WAS SURE CLOSE!
YEAH... TOO CLOSE!
WHEN THE PLANE LANDED AND THE NEWS SPREAD ACROSS THE WORLD AGAIN, THE TRAVEL AGENCIES WERE DELUGED WITH CANCELLATIONS...
I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE BY PLANE OR BOAT, WITH THAT SEA SERPENT OUT THERE!
I WANT MY MONEY BACK FOR THESE TICKETS TO EUROPE!
IF THIS KEEPS UP, WE'LL BE OUT OF BUSINESS!
SOMETHING MUST BE DONE!
AND AT AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF ALL THE TRAVEL AGENCIES, THAT "SOMETHING" WAS DECIDED ON...
YOU'RE AN OLD WHALE HUNTER, CAPTAIN ADAMS, AND YOU'RE THE MAN TO SEND AFTER THAT SEA SERPENT! WE'LL SUPPLY YOU WITH A SHIP, CREW AND ALL THE WEAPONS YOU NEED... AND YOU CAN NAME YOUR OWN PRICE!
WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT, WHEN AND IF I GET BACK!
THREE DAYS LATER, CAPTAIN ADAMS WAS ALL RIGGED UP FOR THE HUNT, AND HIS CREW SAILED AWAY IN A WHALING SHIP AS A CROWD WATCHED SILENTLY AND HOPEFULLY...
OUT ON THE OPEN SEAS, THE CAPTAIN'S SHIP GOT TANGLED IN THE LASHING WIND AND RAIN OF A VIOLENT STORM...
WE'RE GETTING AN S.O.S. FROM A PASSENGER OCEAN LINER, CAPTAIN, THAT'S STALLED IN THE STORM WITH ALL ENGINES DEAD!
WE'LL GO HELP HER!
THERE GOES OUR MAIN MAST, CAP'N!
AYE, MATE! AND WE NEED HELP OURSELVES!
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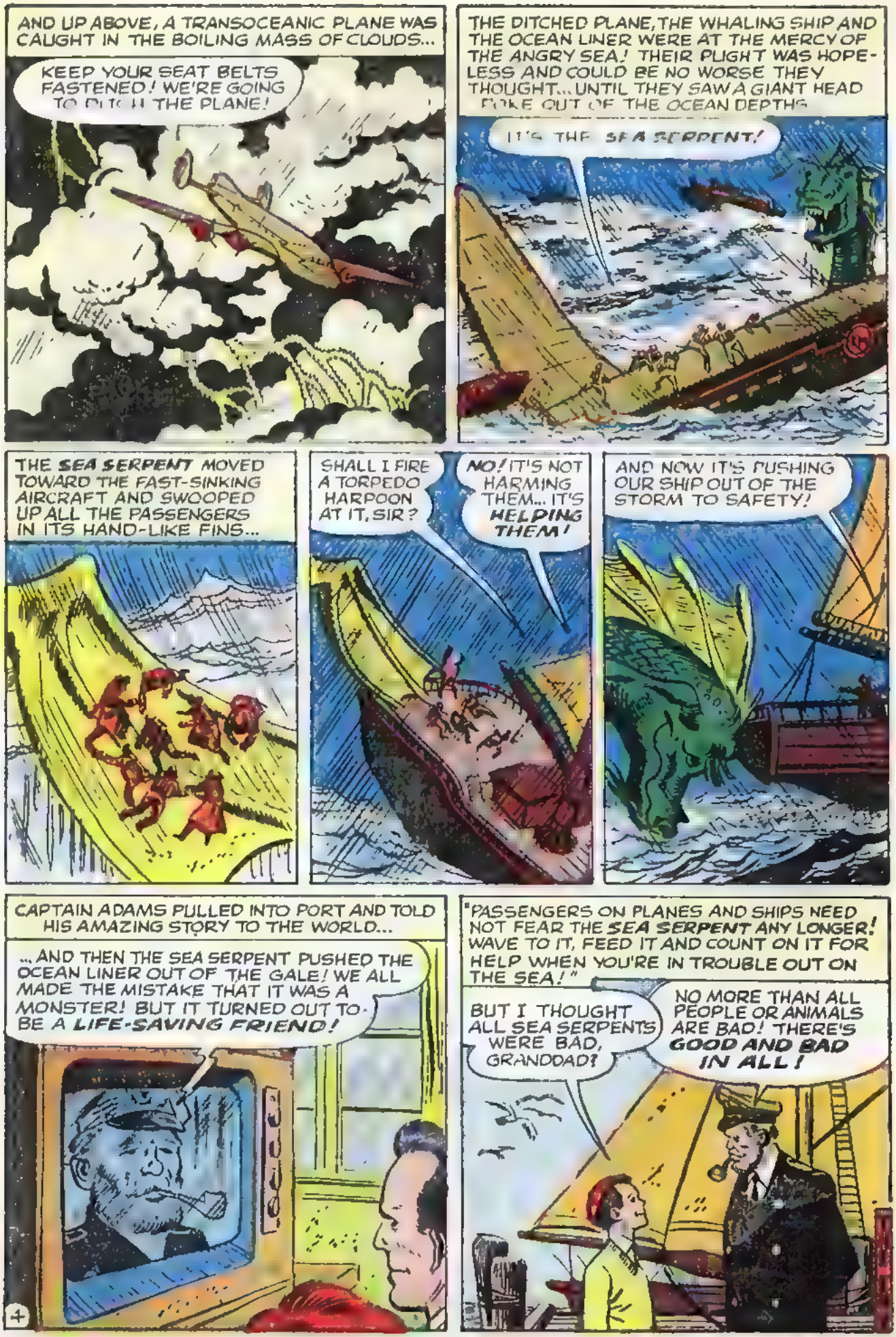
AND UP ABOVE, A TRANSOCEANIC PLANE WAS CAUGHT IN THE BOILING MASS OF CLOUDS...
KEEP YOUR SEAT BELTS FASTENED! WE'RE GOING TO DITCH THE PLANE!
THE DITCHED PLANE, THE WHALING SHIP AND THE OCEAN LINER WERE AT THE MERCY OF THE ANGRY SEA! THEIR PLIGHT WAS HOPELESS AND COULD BE NO WORSE THEY THOUGHT... UNTIL THEY SAW A GIANT HEAD POKE OUT OF THE OCEAN DEPTHS
IT'S THE SEA SERPENT!
THE SEA SERPENT MOVED TOWARD THE FAST-SINKING AIRCRAFT AND SWOOPED UP ALL THE PASSENGERS IN ITS HAND-LIKE FINS...
SHALL I FIRE A TORPEDO HARPOON AT IT, SIR?
NO! IT'S NOT HARMING THEM... IT'S HELPING THEM!
AND NOW IT'S PUSHING OUR SHIP OUT OF THE STORM TO SAFETY!
CAPTAIN ADAMS PULLED INTO PORT AND TOLD HIS AMAZING STORY TO THE WORLD...
...AND THEN THE SEA SERPENT PUSHED THE OCEAN LINER OUT OF THE GALE! WE ALL MADE THE MISTAKE THAT IT WAS A MONSTER! BUT IT TURNED OUT TO BE A LIFE-SAVING FRIEND!
"PASSENGERS ON PLANES AND SHIPS NEED NOT FEAR THE SEA SERPENT ANY LONGER! WAVE TO IT, FEED IT AND COUNT ON IT FOR HELP WHEN YOU'RE IN TROUBLE OUT ON THE SEA!"
BUT I THOUGHT ALL SEA SERPENTS WERE BAD, GRANDDAD?
NO MORE THAN ALL PEOPLE OR ANIMALS ARE BAD! THERE'S GOOD AND BAD IN ALL!
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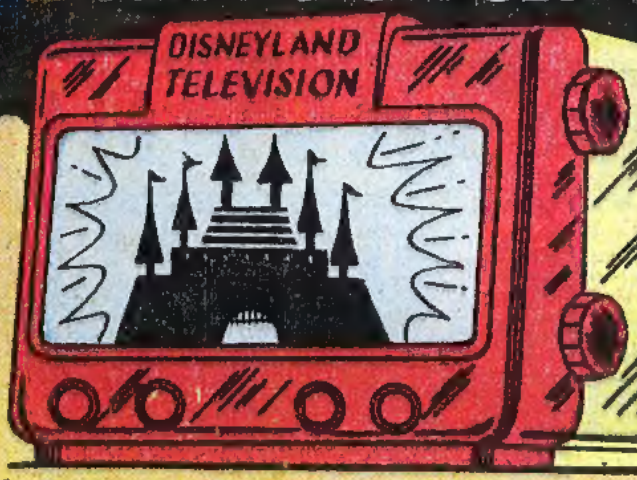

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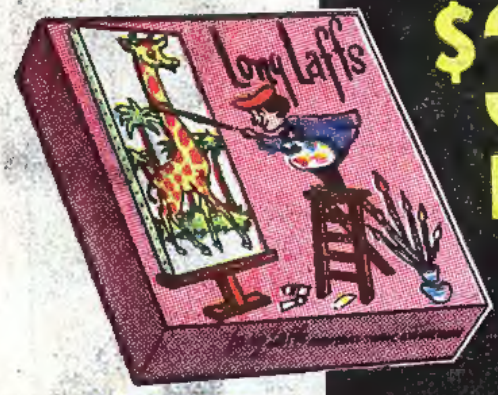

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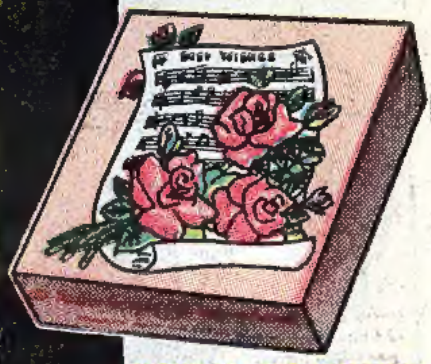

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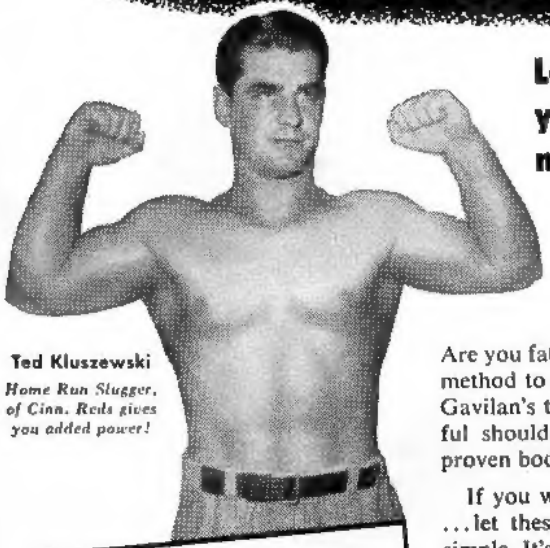

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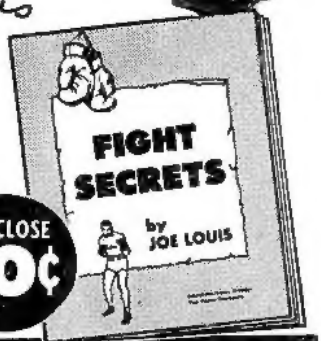

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